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## **Government welcomes sale of Avebury Mine**

The Hodgman Liberal Government is the strongest and most consistent supporter of the mining industry, and we welcome the sale of the Avebury nickel mine, near Zeehan as a positive sign of growing confidence in Tasmania's resource sector.

Dundas Mining is a privately owned exploration and mining development company based in Tasmania and their commitment to bringing the Avebury operation back into production as soon as possible is very pleasing.

The Avebury mine has been on care and maintenance since 2009, with MMG initiating an internal review and external expression of interest process for the asset in 2011.

Jobs are the Hodgman Liberal Government's number one priority, and we look forward to a restart of the mine to create jobs for the region.