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## TERRI IRWIN'S WARNING FOR PROSPECTIVE SHAREHOLDERS

Terri Irwin has warned prospective shareholders today to arm themselves with the facts before making a decision to purchase Cape Alumina shares.

Cape Alumina, the mining company threatening to destroy the Steve Irwin Wildlife Reserve has released its prospectus, with no reference to the environmental devastation it will cause to the 35 ecosystems discovered so far on the Reserve.

"The failure to mention the environmental significance of the Reserve is, I believe, a major omission of important information which may make the prospectus invalid. It may therefore need to be withdrawn and I have asked the ASX to look in to this," Terri said today.

"I find it extraordinary that the Cape Alumina prospectus has failed to mention that mining is planned on land purchased with funds from the Commonwealth government and named by the Commonwealth as the Steve Irwin Wildlife Reserve.

"It is imperative that prospective shareholders are made aware that Cape Alumina **has no track record of operating a mine**, and therefore has never actually proven that they can rehabilitate the damage they will cause.

"Steve Irwin Day on November 15 is all about celebrating one man who made a difference. Prospective shareholders have an opportunity to make a difference too. You need to be aware that this is a controversial project, and if the Reserve is mined, the environmental damage will be irreversible," Terri said.

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The proposed area for mining on the Steve Irwin Wildlife Reserve contains irreplaceable springs and unique biodiversity which will not recover after mining operations are finished.

The Wenlock River is also the richest in fresh water fish diversity of any Australian river, and supports a critical population of endangered Spear-tooth Sharks, Saw Fish and the now vulnerable Estuarine Crocodile.

The area, which was recently inspected by the Environmental Protection Agency, was found to contain unique springs and associated biodiversity which have an important hydrological role in the local area by providing perennial flow into the Wenlock River... which has the richest freshwater fauna of any Australian river.

"The Save Steve's Place petition gives the people of Australia a voice – and it is ringing loud and clear," Terri said.

"We have received over 62,000 signatures, which affirms the public is behind us!"

To sign the petition, go to [www.savestevesplace.com](http://www.savestevesplace.com)

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