

Proposed Stage 2 Chittering Shire Extractive Industries Quarrying Licence Update

At a special Shire Council Meeting held at the Shire of Chittering offices on the evening of 25 November 2009, the Chittering Shire Council resolved to decline “planning approval” pursuant to the Shire’s Local Government Town Planning Scheme for BRL’s proposed Stage 2 Extractive Industries bauxite quarrying licence, scheduled by BRL to commence operating at the end of the first quarter 2010.

The Chittering Shire President has advised BRL that the Company’s proposed Stage 2 ramp up extractive bauxite quarrying activities have now progressed and advanced to a “mining” stage and would in its view fall under a higher regulatory regime than the Local Shire Council and the relevant statutory authorities would now be the Western Australian State Mining Act, the Department of Mines and Petroleum, Department of Environment and Conservation and the Environmental Protection Authority.

To this end the Company is progressing the advancement of its proposed Stage 2 ramp up mining activities under the relevant regulatory authorities.

Following the Company’s recent maiden trial shipment of 43,000 tonnes of high grade Darling Range premium bauxite ore to China from the Kwinana Port the Company continues to work closely with local communities and stakeholders. BRL’s intends to develop a number of bauxite pits as part of its Direct Shipping Ore (DSO) business plan throughout its Darling Range tenement holdings taking advantage of existing infrastructure. The Company is focusing on a number of areas where there is pre-existing historical bauxite drilling data to facilitate the expedition of its DSO operations.

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