CLEAN TEQ SUNRISE

Community Consultative Committee meeting

30 May 2018

OVERVIEW

- 1. Project Update
- 2. Community Involvement
- 3. Modification Application Updates
- 4. Environmental Management
- 5. Other Items





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INDICATIVE PROJECT SCHEDULE



PROJECT FINANCING

STRONG BANKING SUPPORT FOR PROJECT DEBT FACILITY

- Mandated Lead Arranger (MLA) group appointed November 2017
 - National Australia Bank
 - Societe General
 - Natixis
 - International Commercial Bank of China (ICBC)
- US\$500 million in indicative commitments received, prior to syndication
- Technical experts appointed and ready to engage post-DFS completion
- Targeting credit-approved term sheet from MLAs prior to FID
- Strong interest from a range of Australian and international banks













OFFTAKE & INVESTMENT STRATEGY

CONSIDERABLE DEMAND FROM END USERS AND INTERMEDIARIES

- First offtake agreement with Beijing Easpring signed in 2017
- Extensive due-diligence is ongoing by a range of parties considering product offtake and/or project level investment
- Product samples provided to various participants including:
 - OEMs
 - Cathode manufacturers
 - Battery manufacturers
 - Integrated trading houses
- Interest from Asia, Europe and North America



Binding five-year offtake agreement for 20% of cobalt and nickel sulphate production

Transparent pricing mechanism

LME/LMB Price + sulphate premia (negotiated quarterly)

Offtake will convert to LOM supply with project level investment by Easpring in Sunrise (discussions ongoing)



INNOVATIVE CLEAN-iX® PROCESSING

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SULPHATE PRODUCTS DIRECT FROM PRIMARY ORE PROCESSING



SUNRISE PROCESS FLOWSHEET

FOUR-STAGE PROCESS FROM ORE DIRECT TO SULPHATES



Ore is mined, crushed and mixed with water to make a slurry

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HIGH PRESSURE ACID LEACHING



Slurry treated at high pressure, high temperature & low pH in autoclaves to leach metals

SUNRISE PROCESS FLOWSHEET

FOUR-STAGE PROCESS FROM ORE DIRECT TO SULPHATES





Ion-exchange used to extract nickel, cobalt and scandium from leached solution





Eluate processed via solvent extraction before separation & crystallisation



BUILDING OUR SOCIAL LICENCE

- Regional community briefings and meetings: 1:1 and groups
- Advertising local employment and procurement: meetings scheduled for July 2018
- Building our NSW team: Environmental Specialist, HR recruiter recently joined
- Many ways to stay in touch: newsletters, eNews, website, Facebook, meetings, shopfronts
- Supporting local initiatives Abba Festival, Trundle Showgirl Competition, Trundle Central School, St Patrick's – Trundle
- Community drop-in meetings: sessions in Fifield and Trundle (February, March and May), as well as Forbes (May)
- Borefield **neighbour meeting**: April and May at Warroo Hall



Welcome to our first eNews, our way of staying in touch between community newsletters. We hope you enjoy reading about what we've been up to. We look forward to keeping you updated on our activities and progrees.





LOCAL SHIRE COUNCIL SITE TOUR





IT'S BEEN A BUSY FEW MONTHS



EMPLOYMENT EOI STATISTICS



Trundle / Tullamore / Fifield = 21



Parkes = **27**



Condobolin = **33**



Forbes = 9



NSW TOTAL = **125** *All EOI 167*



PROCUREMENT EOI STATISTICS



Trundle / Tullamore / Fifield = 3



Parkes = **11**



Condobolin = **10**



Forbes = **2**



NSW TOTAL = **44** *All EOI 63*



MODIFICATION UDPATE

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MODIFICATION APPLICATIONS UPDATE

Optimisation Modification (MOD 4)

- Modification 4 seeks approval for the opportunities identified in the Optimisation Study.
- EA submitted in November 2017.
- Responses to Submissions submitted in February 2018.
- Response to DP&E additional information request submitted on 24 May 2018.





MODIFICATION APPLICATIONS UPDATE

Accommodation Camp Modification (MOD 6)

- Modification 6 seeks approval for the relocation of the accommodation camp.
- EA submitted in January 2018.
- Response to Submissions submitted in February 2018.
- Approved May 2018







Air Quality Assessment

- Assessment prepared in accordance with EPA's Approved Methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW.
- Model used to predict potential air quality impacts considers modified Project operations (included predicted stack emissions) and mitigation measures, local landforms and meteorology.
- Contemporary EPA impact assessment criteria for gaseous pollutants and particulate matter considered.
- No exceedances of EPA impact assessment criteria predicted.
- EPA raised no concerns with Air Quality Assessment.





Air Quality Monitoring

- AQMP will be prepared prior to construction in consultation with the EPA and to the satisfaction of the DP&E.
- The AQMP will include an air quality monitoring program for evaluating and reporting on:
 - baseline monitoring undertaken prior to the Project;
 - compliance against the air quality criteria; and
 - compliance against the air quality operating conditions.
- Air quality and meteorological monitoring will be undertaken in accordance with the Project's Development Consent and EPL.



Air Quality Monitoring

- Air quality monitoring will be conducted at:
 - locations representative of the privately-owned receivers most likely to be affected by Project air quality emissions; and
 - the sulphuric acid plant stack.
- Parameters dust deposition, particulate matter and relevant gaseous pollutants.
- Monitoring will be conducted by a suitably qualified person in accordance with Australian Standards and the EPA's Approved Methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW.
- Monitoring results will be reported in accordance with the Development Consent and EPL requirements.



Borefield

- The Project borefield will be the primary Project water supply.
- Development Consent DA 374-11-00 allows for the extraction and transfer of up to 6,390 ML/year.
- Clean TeQ is currently approved to extract approximately 3,154 ML/year from the borefield located in Zone 5 of the Upper Lachlan Alluvial Groundwater Source in the *Water Sharing Plan for the Lachlan Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources,* 2012.
- Construction phase (two years) water demand (in the order of 600 ML/year) is significantly lower than the operational phase.





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Borefield Management

- Borefield operated in accordance with the requirements of:
 - Project Development Consent; and
 - Water Access Licences.
- These approvals include (but not limited to):
 - extraction limits;
 - requirement to develop a borefield operational strategy (including monitoring) to manage any adverse Project impacts; and
 - compensatory water supply requirements.
- Project borefield managed to minimise the potential for adverse impacts on other groundwater users.



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Groundwater Management Plan

- GWMP <u>must</u> be prepared in consultation with DI-Water and the EPA, and <u>must</u> be approved by the Secretary of the DP&E <u>prior to construction</u>.
- GWMP <u>must</u> include:
 - Baseline groundwater data (levels, yield and quality) in privately-owned groundwater bores in the vicinity of the mine and borefield;
 - Trigger levels to investigate potentially adverse groundwater impacts in the vicinity of the mine and borefield;
 - A program to monitor potential groundwater impacts in privately-owned groundwater bores in the vicinity of the mine and borefield; and
 - A plan to respond to any exceedances of the trigger levels, and mitigate any adverse impacts of the Project.

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Groundwater Works Program – Borefield

- To inform the GWMP (e.g. trigger levels, response measures) for the operational phase, Clean TeQ will undertake a Groundwater Works Program during 2018, including:
 - 2018 Bore Census to identify groundwater users in the vicinity of the borefield in consultation with local groundwater users;
 - Develop an expanded groundwater monitoring program that can include local groundwater users;
 - Additional hydrogeological testing (e.g. pumping tests); and
 - Develop a contemporary groundwater model.



Groundwater Works Program – Borefield

- Clean TeQ has engaged ENRS to undertake the 2018 Bore Census.
- 2018 Bore Census purpose is to:
 - Identify existing groundwater users in the vicinity of the borefield.
 - Update and/or add to the existing baseline information on the bores (e.g. location, depth, water quality, usage) collected during the 2005 Bore Census.
- Information collected will be used to inform:
 - Finalisation of the GWMP (e.g. baseline conditions, monitoring program, trigger levels, management measures).
 - Development of a contemporary groundwater model.

ENRS

Groundwater Works Program – Borefield

- A **groundwater model** will be developed by a suitably qualified groundwater expert in accordance with contemporary standards e.g. the *Australian National Groundwater Modelling Guidelines*.
- The groundwater model will be used to inform the GWMP (e.g. pumping strategy to minimises impacts on other water users, establish trigger levels, develop responses measures) for the operational phase.





Groundwater Works Program – Mine

- Clean TeQ will undertake the following:
 - A bore census in the vicinity of the mine site will be undertaken after the borefield bore census.
 - Develop a contemporary groundwater model for the mine site prior to the commencement of mining operations.





Compensatory Water Supply

• Development Consent requires:

The Applicant <u>must provide a compensatory water supply</u> to anyone whose basic landholder water rights (as defined in the Water Management Act 2000) are <u>adversely</u> <u>and directly impacted as a result of the development</u>. This supply must be provided in consultation with DPI Water, and to the satisfaction of the Secretary. The compensatory water supply measures must provide an alternative long-term supply of water that is equivalent to the loss attributable to the development. Equivalent water supply must be provided (at least on an interim basis) as soon as possible after the loss is identified, unless otherwise agreed with the landowner.







OTHER ITEMS

Project Employment Opportunities

- The Project workforce would include:
 - Construction Phase up to 1,000 personnel
 - Operations Phase approximately 300 personnel.
- Approximately one-third of the operational workforce would be located at the Parkes Operation Centre.
- Clean TeQ will employ its workforce in accordance with NSW and Commonwealth laws.



OTHER ITEMS

Project Employment Opportunities

- Clean TeQ will offer apprenticeships and traineeships.
- Clean TeQ has commenced engagement with local Aboriginal community members to develop employment opportunities for members of the local Aboriginal community.



OTHER ITEMS

Contributions to Government

- Clean TeQ will pay taxes, rates, contributions, fees to government in accordance with relevant legislation:
 - Commonwealth Government Corporate Tax;
 - NSW Government Royalties, Payroll Tax, etc; and
 - Local Government Rates, VPA Contributions.

Mobile Phone Coverage

• A mobile phone tower coverage will be established for the Project.



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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