



ALLIANCE MINERAL ASSETS LIMITED

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**A\$30 MILLION EPC CONTRACT EXECUTED WITH PRIMERO GROUP AT
ALLIANCE MINERAL'S BALD HILL PROJECT TO BUILD THE LITHIUM PLANT**

- Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract is for construction of a 1.2 million tonne capacity Dense Media Separation (DMS) processing plant
- Primero Group is highly qualified for construction of such infrastructure as it recently commissioned a DMS lithium plant elsewhere in Western Australia and is also working on several other similar projects globally
- Construction work has commenced with bulk earthworks completed, initial cement foundations being poured, detailed design well-advanced, long-lead items have been ordered and fabrication packages awarded
- With the commencement of construction of the DMS plant, commissioning is on track for 1Q2018
- Substantial increase for Tantalite and Spodumene Resources at the Bald Hill Project¹

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Singapore listed Alliance Mineral Assets Limited ("Alliance Mineral", or "AMAL" or the "Company"), a mining company engaged in exploring, developing and producing tantalite and spodumene (lithium) and other mineral resources in Australia, is pleased to announce that together with its working partner, Tawana, an EPC agreement has been executed with Primero Group to build a 1.2 million tonne per annum DMS circuit thereby allowing construction at the Bald Hill Lithium and Tantalum Mine (the Project) to commence.

Primero Group ("PG") was the partner of choice for constructing the necessary infrastructure at the Bald Hill Mine as PG has recently commissioned a DMS lithium plant elsewhere in Western Australia for another prominent lithium player and is also currently involved in several significant lithium

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projects globally. The EPC contract with PG is a lump sum and fixed price contract worth A\$30 million and during the execution of the contract there will be up to 200 people on-site during peak construction period.



Figure 1 | Feed bin slab on north-end ready for blinding

AMAL Chief Executive Officer Tjandra Pramoko commented, *“Things are progressing well and as per schedule at our Bald Hill Mine, and this execution of the EPC contract is crucial for us in our endeavour to being a lithium player in Western Australia. This contract awarded to Primero Group comes soon after we received the second lithium offtake prepayment last month and we are looking forward to PG constructing a quality plant thereby putting us on the lithium producers’ map.*

I am also pleased to highlight that as per the IQPR uploaded on the SGX-net on 8th of August¹, there has been an overall substantial net increase of the Bald Hill Project resources as reported in the Company’s IQPR. That is very encouraging for us and portrays that our project is highly commercially viable and just based on these resource figures we can produce lithium and tantalum ores for a number of years.”

Tawana Managing Director Mark Calderwood commented, *“This is another key milestone for the Project. We welcome Primero as an important partner of Tawana and AMAL and look forward to updating the market on the progress of the DMS plant. In addition, associated site works and construction has commenced and we remain committed and focussed on delivering lithium concentrate during the first quarter of 2018.”*

¹ Available at:

http://infopub.sgx.com/FileOpen/AMAL_IQPR_2017_8_August_2017.aspx?App=Announcement&FileID=465980, under the Executive Summary part



Figure 2 & 3 | Excavations for foundations (left) and cast in bar & shutter fabrication (right)

Primero Managing Director Cameron Henry said, *“We are pleased to be working with Tawana and AMAL on this project and to be recognised for our complete turnkey design and construction capability and expertise in the lithium industry. Our team has been worked closely with Tawana from the first testwork, through feasibility and now into project execution phase, providing a complete end to end service. The project development schedule for the Bald Hill Project remains on track to commence commissioning in the first quarter of 2018.”*



Figure 4 & 5 | First concrete pour - take up tower curing (left) and thickener fabrication progress - trial assembly of first two pie sections (right)

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ABOUT ALLIANCE MINERAL ASSETS LIMITED (BLOOMBERG TICKER: AMSSP)

Alliance Mineral Assets Limited (the “Company”) is a mining company headquartered in Perth, Western Australia. Led by a dedicated and experienced team, the Company is primarily engaged in the business of developing and producing **tantalite and spodumene (lithium)** mineral resources in Australia. The Company is also involved in exploration for other mineral resources.

The Company currently owns the Bald Hill Tantalite and Spodumene Mine, the various surrounding Tenements, the Project Intellectual Property, and the Bald Hill Treatment Plant (collectively, the “Bald Hill Project”).

The Bald Hill Project area is located 50km south east of Kambalda in the Eastern Goldfields of Western Australia. It is located approximately 75km south east of the Mt Marion Lithium project and is adjacent to Tawana’s Cowan Lithium Project. The Bald Hill Project includes a permitted tantalum and spodumene (pegmatite) mine, processing facility and associated infrastructure.

Lithco No. 2 Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tawana, on 3 June 2016 entered into a Farm-In and Joint Venture arrangement with the Company for the purpose of joint exploration and exploitation of lithium and other minerals. At 28 June 2017, Lithco had earned 50% of the Lithium rights having spent A\$7,500,000 on exploration, evaluation, and pre-feasibility (including administrative and other overhead costs in relation thereto); and will eventually earn a 50% legal and beneficial interest in the whole Project after spending a further A\$12,500,000 in capital expenditure required for upgrading and converting the Plant for processing ore derived from the tenement area, infrastructure costs, pre-stripping activities and other expenditures including operating costs.

ABOUT TANTALUM AND LITHIUM

Tantalum is a non-radioactive metal which is ductile, easily fabricated and has a high melting point, highly conductive to heat and electricity. It is widely used in the form of tantalum capacitors in consumer electronics such as personal computers, electronic displays and mobile phones. Tantalum is also an element in super-alloys used in jet engine turbine blades, drilling tools for industrial and chemical processing, and surgical instruments.

Lithium is a soft, silver-white metal belonging to the Alkali group of metals, which under normal conditions is the lightest of all metals and the least dense solid element. Lithium has a number of unique properties including high electrochemical reactivity, a low thermal expansion coefficient and high specific heat capacity. It is these properties which allow lithium to be used in a wide range of industrial applications including ceramics, lubricants and glass, but the largest (and highest growth segment) of the global lithium market is its use in the manufacture of Lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries.

Alliance Mineral Assets Limited was listed on Catalist of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the “SGX-ST”) on 25 July 2014.

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