



AUSTRALIAN **BAUXITE** LIMITED  
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### **ABx Project Tenements Update**

Australian Bauxite Limited (**ABx**) provides the following information with respect to the ABx Project Tenements, current to the date of this release.

The ABx Project Tenements consists of seventeen exploration tenements granted or under application covering over 5,000 sq km of ground considered prospective for bauxite.

ABx1 Pty Ltd (**ABx1**), ABx2 Pty Ltd (**ABx2**) and ABx3 Pty Ltd (**ABx3**) are wholly owned subsidiaries of ABx, each associated with a geographical development zone.

| <b>License No</b> | <b>Project</b> | <b>Current Status</b> | <b>Update</b>   |
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| EPM 17790         | Hampton        | Granted               | <p>Confirmation has been received from the Mines and Energy Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation (<b>DME</b>) that the application for transfer of title to ABx3 has been considered by DME.</p> <p>Transfer of the environmental authorities has been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (<b>EA</b>).</p> <p>Finalisation of the transfer by DME expected shortly.</p> |
| EPM 17800         | Red Hill       | Granted               | <p>Confirmation has been received from the Mines and Energy DME that the application for transfer of title to ABx3 has been considered by DME.</p> <p>Transfer of the environmental authorities has been approved by the EA.</p> <p>Finalisation of the transfer by DME expected shortly..</p>  |

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| EPM 17801  | Red Hill South | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the Mines and Energy DME that the application for transfer of title to ABx3 has been considered by DME.</p> <p>Transfer of the environmental authorities has been approved by the EA.</p> <p>Finalisation of the transfer by DME expected shortly.</p> |
| EPM 17830  | Haden          | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the Mines and Energy DME that the application for transfer of title to ABx3 has been considered by DME.</p> <p>Transfer of the environmental authorities has been approved by the EA.</p> <p>Finalisation of the transfer by DME expected shortly.</p> |
| EPM 17831  | Hillgrove      | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the Mines and Energy DME that the application for transfer of title to ABx3 has been considered by DME.</p> <p>Transfer of the environmental authorities has been approved by the EA.</p> <p>Finalisation of the transfer by DME expected shortly.</p> |



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| EPM 18014  | Binjour  | Granted  | <p>This tenement has now been granted.</p> <p>An application has been made to have title transferred to ABX3.</p> <p>Confirmation has been received from the Mines and Energy DME that the application for transfer of title to ABX3 has been considered by DME.</p> <p>Transfer of the environmental authorities has been approved by the EA.</p> <p>Finalisation of the transfer by DME expected shortly.</p>   |
| EL 6997    | Inverell | <p>Granted</p> <p>Renewal pending;</p> <p>Special circumstances submission under consideration</p> | <p>Confirmation has been received from the Minerals and Energy Division of the NSW Department of Industry and Investment (DII) that the application for transfer of title to ABx1 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p> <p>Application has been made for renewal of the tenement for a 5 year period including a submission pursuant to section 114(6) of the Mining Act for renewal of more than 50% of the tenement.</p> <p>Site visits have been completed and, as reported in the Supplementary Prospectus, the maiden JORC Code compliant resource estimation process is proceeding on schedule.</p> |
| EL 7268    | Pindaroi | Granted  | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx1 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p>   |



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| EL 7269    | Windellama    | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx2 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p> <p>The first stage drilling program has been completed (40 holes for 230 metres).</p> |
| EL 7279    | Wingello West | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx2 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p>   |
| EL 7344    | Yarrowitch    | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx1 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p> <p>Interim Report on Mineral Exploration submitted to DII.</p>                        |
| EL 7357    | Taralga       | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx2 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p>   |
| EL 7360    | Trundle       | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx2 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p>   |
| EL 7361    | Guyra         | Granted        | <p>Confirmation has been received from the DII that the application for transfer of title to ABx1 has been received.</p> <p>Transfer of title is pending.</p>   |
| ELA 3626   | Merriwa       | Application    | <p>ABx1 has been nominated as the applicant for this tenement.</p> <p>The license application is under consideration by the DII.</p>  |



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| ELA 3740   | Bungonia | Offered        | <p>An offer of grant of this tenement has been received and accepted.</p> <p>Security deposit has been provided as required under the Mining Act 1992.</p> <p>This tenement is pending grant.</p> |
| ELA 3774   | Penrose  | Application    | <p>ABx2 has been nominated as the applicant for this tenement.</p> <p>The license application is under consideration by the DII.</p>  |

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