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ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

EPA REFERRAL LODGED FOR ARROWSMITH CENTRAL

VRX Silica Limited (ASX:VRX) (**VRX** or **Company**) is pleased to announce that it has lodged a referral and supporting information document for its Arrowsmith Central Silica Sand project with the Western Australian Environmental Protection Authority (**EPA**) under Section 38 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

The EPA's *Statement of Environmental Principles, Factors and Objectives* provides a list of potential key environmental factors to consider for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), which include requiring assessment from initial baseline surveys, project planning and consultation processes. The referral identifies the relevant baseline environmental information for the receiving environment, proposal activities, mitigation measures, impacts and underlying assumptions.

The EPA has 28 days to determine whether to assess the referred proposal and, if so, what level of assessment to assign. This time frame starts once the EPA has received all required information and has determined the referral to be valid. The EPA's decision to assess the proposal will be published on the EPA's website in due course. Based on the EPA's decision on Arrowsmith North, the Company is anticipating a Public Environmental Review (PER) level of assessment.

VRX Silica Managing Director Bruce Maluish said:

"This referral to the EPA commences the process for environmental approval for VRX Silica's Arrowsmith Central Silica Sand Project, which is our second silica sand project at Arrowsmith. This will determine the level of assessment required for project approval."

"Based on our environmental approval work to-date and continued consultation with the EPA, we have identified what studies are likely to be required and, to the extent not already undertaken, are under way as part of this Spring field season. These studies will provide relevant information for the Environmental Impact Assessment for this project."

This announcement has been authorised for release to ASX by Managing Director Bruce Maluish.

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ASX: VRX Capital Structure

Shares on Issue:
551.9 million

Unlisted Options:
35.4 million

Corporate Directory

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*Non-Executive
Chairman*

Bruce Maluish

Managing Director

Peter Pawlowitsch

*Non-Executive
Director*

David Welch

Non-executive Director

John Geary

Company Secretary

Silica Sand Projects

*Arrowsmith Silica
Sand Projects, 270km
north of Perth, WA.*

*Muchea Silica Sand
Project, 50km north of
Perth, WA.*

*Boyatup Silica Sand
Project, 100km east of
Esperance, WA.*

*The Company is
actively assessing
other silica sand
projects in Australia.*

About VRX Silica

VRX Silica Ltd (ASX: VRX) is developing world-class, high-grade silica sand projects in Western Australia.

The Arrowsmith North and Arrowsmith Central Silica Sand Projects, 270km north of Perth, comprise five granted exploration licences and two granted mining leases. Bankable feasibility studies for both projects have demonstrated exceptional financial metrics.

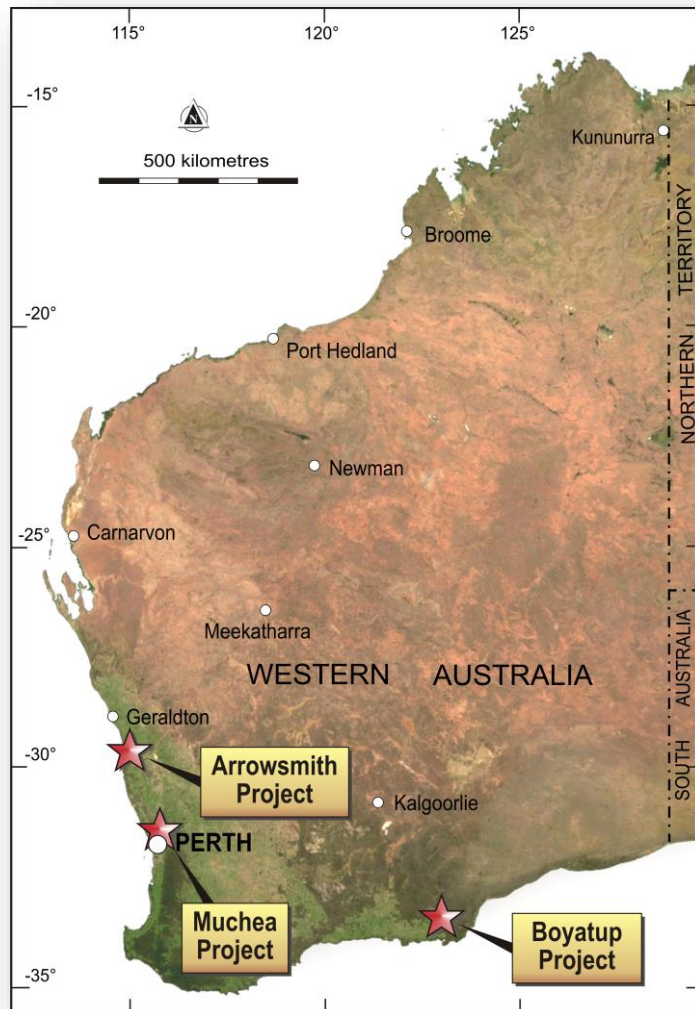
The Muchea Silica Sand Project, 50km north of Perth, comprises two granted and one under-application exploration licences as well as one granted mining lease. Muchea is a world-class project with high-purity silica sand in situ. A bankable feasibility study has demonstrated outstanding financial metrics.

The Boyatup Silica Sand Project, 100km east of Esperance, comprises two adjacent granted exploration licences. Initial indications are that this project can complement the Arrowsmith and Muchea projects and add to the range of silica products VRX Silica may be capable of producing.

Proven Management

VRX Silica's Board and Leadership Team have extensive experience in mineral exploration and mine development-to-production and in the management of publicly listed mining and exploration companies.

Project Locations



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