



Pure Minerals Limited

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ASX Announcement

## **QPM ENTERS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH EXPERIENCED COMMODITY MARKETING/TRADING COMPANY**

Pure Minerals Limited (“**PM1**” or the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce that Queensland Pacific Metals Pty Ltd (“**QPM**”), the privately owned entity which the Company has an option to acquire, has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“**MoU**”) with Top Resources Group Limited (“**Top Resources**”), a successful and experienced commodity marketing and trading company with strong relationships in China and the greater Asian region.

Top Resources is headed by Mr Norman Ting, an experienced commodity trader with more than 30 years’ experience. Mr Ting was previously the Managing Director of Wogen Pacific, a subsidiary of Wogen Resources, which is a leading, London-based trader of specialist and other minor metals within China. Typical commodities traded by Wogen include nickel, cobalt and other base metals and related speciality chemical products of these metals.

Mr Ting managed five Wogen offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Chengdu and Hong Kong staffed by 35 commercial executives and was a leading trader of cobalt, cadmium, antimony, tungsten, indium and mineral sands. Wogen was also a marketing agent for Queensland Nickel Refinery’s cobalt chemicals in China.

Top Resources was set up in 2011 and has been successful in assisting other ASX-listed companies including Metro Mining Limited and Rio Tinto Limited.

Under the MoU, Top Resources has agreed to assist QPM in establishing relationships with companies in China and the greater Asian region with a view to securing offtake agreements or potential investment in the battery materials refinery QPM proposes to build in Townsville, Queensland. The refinery will produce nickel and cobalt sulphate, and other valuable by-products including hematite, magnesium oxide and high purity alumina.

Should Pure Minerals Limited exercise its option to acquire QPM, Top Resources and QPM will seek to establish a formal commercial agreement that is mutually beneficial.

QPM Director John Downie said:

*“We look forward to working with Top Resources. China is an obvious trading partner for all of QPM’s products and Top Resources will be able to assist us in penetrating this market which will greatly improve the company’s chances of securing offtake agreements and potential investment.”*

Top Resources Director Norman Ting said:

*"We are excited by this opportunity. There are concerns within China regarding the political instability of the Democratic Republic of Congo and ongoing reliance on cobalt supply from this region. Chinese end-users would greatly welcome cobalt supply from politically safe jurisdictions like Australia, in particular Townsville which previously had a strong track record of supplying nickel and cobalt chemicals to China."*

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