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MEDIA RELEASE

MOUNT PLEASANT SEES FIRST COAL PRODUCTION

MACH Energy Australia commenced construction of the Mount Pleasant Operation in the Hunter Valley in late 2016.

The project construction stage is nearing completion with the majority of mine infrastructure now in use. Further construction works on the coal handling preparation plant are expected to be complete mid next year.

MACH Energy Managing Director Ferdian Purnamasidi said construction of the initial bypass stage of the processing facility is now complete.

Mr Purnamasidi announced today that Mount Pleasant successfully produced first bypass coal through the facility and the mine expects to commence railing coal next week.

"I am pleased with the progress and thank all involved for their hard work and dedication to the operation to ensure we reach this very important milestone.

"Our first coal will be supplied locally for domestic use and we expect export sales to commence early in the New Year," added Mr Purnamasidi.

Editorial note:

MACH Energy is a private Australian company that was established to acquire the world class Mount Pleasant thermal coal project from Rio Tinto. MACH completed the acquisition of Mount Pleasant in 2016 and began construction of the project later that year. MACH is a subsidiary of Droxford International Limited, part of the Salim Group.

The Mount Pleasant Operation is in the Hunter Valley region of New South Wales and once fully developed will be one of the premier thermal coal mines in Australia.

Mount Pleasant hosts resources of 1.1 billion tonnes of coal and 667 million tonnes of recoverable reserves. The operation is fully consented up to the targeted production rate of 10.5 million tonnes per annum ROM coal. It enjoys one of the lowest strip ratios in Australia, with all-in FOB cash costs forecast to place Mount Pleasant in the first quartile of the global thermal coal cost curve.

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Pictured below, first coal stockpiles at the Mount Pleasant Operation

