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ROY HILL WINS AMEC ENVIRONMENT AWARD

Roy Hill is pleased to announce that its \$10 billion mega-iron ore project has won the 2016 Association of Mining and Exploration Companies (AMEC) Environment Award – one of the most prestigious awards for environmental excellence in the resources industry – at the AMEC Awards dinner in Perth, last night.

The AMEC Environment Award is intended to raise the profile of companies who are developing or utilising innovative methods to achieve better long term environmental outcomes or management practices throughout the life of mineral exploration and mining projects. The award encompasses all aspects of environmental impacts including, land use, water management, community safety, on-going environmental impacts, mine closure and mine rehabilitation.

This award recognises a number of initiatives adopted during the construction of the Roy Hill Port facility to minimise impacts to mangroves and benthic habitat, namely the above ground traveller methodology used for the construction of the overland conveyor.

This Roy Hill initiative went above and beyond that which was recommended by the Environmental Protection Authority and approved by the Minister for Environment. The project achieved an overall 85% reduction in disturbance to mangrove communities compared to approved disturbance.

The Award was accepted by Ms Susanna Beech, Manager Environment, on behalf of Hancock Prospecting and Roy Hill Holdings, Executive Chairman, Mrs Gina Rinehart and Roy Hill Chief Executive Officer, Mr Barry Fitzgerald.

In her acceptance speech, Ms Beech expressed sincere appreciation and thanks for the recognition of Roy Hill's achievements in ensuring the environmental impact during the construction of the mega Roy Hill Project was effectively managed and minimised.

"The Roy Hill mega project and this initiative would not have been possible without the strong leadership and vision of Hancock Prospecting and Roy Hill Executive Chairman, Mrs Gina Rinehart"

"Roy Hill strives for environmental excellence and seeks innovative solutions to environmental issues. The award required strong and focused leadership and extensive collaboration with multiple stakeholders based on the foundation of the Roy Hill Values of lead, care, think and perform."

"By any measure, the scale and complexity of the Roy Hill Project is extraordinary. Due to the size of the Roy Hill Project, thousands of approvals and permits and licences had to be worked through, and numerous environmental management initiatives were necessary. However this Award recognises another major initiative in which we have gone above and beyond regulatory requirements", Ms Beech added.

Speaking after the awards ceremony, Mr Fitzgerald, said, "no resource development project of this size could have been delivered so successfully, safely, and within budget, without a carefully planned and

coordinated effort to deliver from the conception phase, continuing right through to commissioning and into operations”

“Furthermore, It is also commendable to have completed the construction of Roy Hill’s Port infrastructure with significantly fewer total impacts to mangroves than allowed under environmental approvals. ”

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About Roy Hill Holdings Pty Ltd

Roy Hill is a world-class, mega project, which in a few weeks will become the largest single ore mine in Australia, and one of the largest in the world.

Situated approximately 340 kilometres south east of Port Hedland in West Australia, Roy Hill is a low phosphorus, Marra Mamba iron ore deposit located in the Pilbara – close to Asia and in one of the world’s premier iron ore provinces. Roy Hill is an independent iron ore operation with West Australian majority ownership, chaired by an Australian, Mrs Gina Rinehart.

With integrated mine, rail and port facilities, which has the capacity to deliver 55Mtpa – Roy Hill is one of the world’s major resource based operations, which will deliver enormous benefits to the broader community for years to come.

Roy Hill’s first shipment of iron ore departed from Port Hedland on 10 December 2015 and has since loaded multiple shipments to its key markets in Japan, Korea, China and Taiwan.

In December 2015, Mrs Rinehart was recognised as Miner of the Decade by the Sydney Mining Club. In addition, Roy Hill has been presented with a range of awards, including:

- 2016 Australian Mining Prospect Awards Excellence in Environmental Management Award
- 2016 Engineers Australia (WA) Australian Engineering Excellence - Engineering Distinction Award
- 2016 Engineers Australia (WA) Australian Engineering Excellence Award - Resource Development
- 2016 Engineers Australia (WA) Australian Engineering Excellence Award - Project Management
- 2016 Project Management Institute Project of the Year
- 2016 Railway Technical Society of Australasia Railway Project Award
- 2015 Mines & Money Asian Corporate Development Award
- 2015 IJ Global Asia-Pacific Project Mining & Metals Deal of the Year
- 2015 IJ Global Asia Pacific Deal of the Year
- 2014 FinanceAsia Magazine Project Finance Deal of the Year Award
- 2014 Finance International Magazine Asia Pacific Deal of the Year
- 2012 Diggers and Dealers Deal of the Year Award

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