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ROY HILL WINS 'GOLDEN GECKO' CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Roy Hill is pleased to announce that its world-class, integrated iron ore operation has been awarded a 2017 Golden Gecko Certificate of Merit at Western Australia's most prestigious awards ceremony for environmental excellence in the resources industry.

At last night's gala ceremony, we were recognised for our innovative and best practice approach to using our existing mining technology to track and manage rehabilitation materials. The Roy Hill mine site 340km south east of Port Hedland.

Judges acknowledged that we demonstrated environmental excellence in managing topsoil, weeds and potentially hostile waste materials. Our solution involved our Environment team using our existing fleet management system, WENCO, to accurately track and trace top soil movements which will help us maximise future rehabilitation successes.

The Certificate of Merit was accepted by Roy Hill Environment Manager, John Wynne, on behalf of Hancock Prospecting and Roy Hill Executive Chairman, Mrs Gina Rinehart, and Roy Hill Chief Executive Officer, Mr Barry Fitzgerald.

Mr Wynne expressed sincere appreciation and thanks for the recognition of Roy Hill's achievements in innovatively and effectively managing top soil movements.

"This award recognises a collective effort to find a solution to manage the segregation of different topsoil types, areas of high weed cover, hostile materials and to record the location and quantity of materials that would benefit future rehabilitation outcomes," he said.

"This would not have been possible without strong and focused leadership and extensive collaboration with multiple stakeholders."

Roy Hill CEO, Barry Fitzgerald, echoed those remarks.

"I am extremely proud of what we have been able to accomplish at Roy Hill that can now be adopted by other mining companies with an existing fleet management system at negligible cost to them," he said.

"From the start of early construction, the requirement to undertake progressive rehabilitation has been integrated into the Roy Hill project work program.

"Using this technology Roy Hill has already completed over 2,500 ha of rehabilitation to date over the Mine, Rail and Port areas.

"We are proud to be an industry leader in sustainable mine site rehabilitation practices, and this award recognises our innovative approach to environmental practices. It underscores our people's hard work and is a shining example of our core values of *Lead, Care, Think, Perform* to deliver innovative success."

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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:

- 2017 Platts Global Metals Awards Rising Star Company Award
- 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