

**MINSHENG BANK APPROVES CUDECO \$US65 MILLION CREDIT FACILITY FOR  
ROCKLANDS GROUP COPPER PROJECT LOCATED AT CLONCURRY IN NW  
QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA**

CuDeco Limited (“CuDeco”) has been formally advised the Minsheng Banking Corporation Ltd of China (“Minsheng”) that the Credit Facility for our Rocklands Project has now been approved. Minsheng Bank is the largest privately owned bank in China. The company has negotiated more attractive terms than the first terms sheet offered.

Terms approved and signed by Minsheng Bank and CuDeco: -

Facility Amount:	\$US65m (approx. \$A70m)
Interest Rate:	The aggregate of LIBOR for the relevant interest period (currently 0.25%) and the Interest Margin
Interest Rate Margin:	3.5% per Annum
Upfront Fee:	2% (once only payment)
Management Fee:	2% flat fee per annum of the aggregate drawdown amount of the facility
Facility Commitment fee:	1% for any undrawn amount of the total facility.

At this time the above translates into an interest rate of approx. 5.75%p.a. Interest and the Management fee are only payable on the amount drawn.

Standard conditions to be met prior to any drawdowns are:

1. Finance Documents signed and delivered to the lenders.
2. A Bank Account opened by the Borrower with the lender.
3. Execution of tripartite deed between the lenders, the borrower and Oceanwide International Holdings in which Oceanwide agree not to any termination of the Offtake Agreement between CuDeco and Oceanwide.
4. Execution of a tripartite deed between the Rocklands Project EPC Contractor, China State owned, Sinosteel Corporation, CuDeco and Minsheng Bank.
5. Execution of side deed re Port of Townsville Ltd landlords consent to the lenders security over CuDeco’s Port assets.

The credit facility applied for was for a total of \$US100 million being \$65m for the Rocklands Project and \$US35m (approx. A\$38m) for the rail load facility in Cloncurry and the Port ship loading and storage facility in Townsville. Negotiations are underway with a number of International and Australian third parties, in relation to providing the financing of the Port and



Rail facility for a possible JV, whereby the incoming party finances the entire projects for up to 50% equity in both the rail and port facilities. The Port facility, owned 100% by CuDeco, has now received Development Approval. The 15,000m<sup>2</sup> area leased from the Port of Townsville by CuDeco already has rail into the facility. The facility once completed will include a 400,000 storage facility and a 2,000 tonnes per hour ship loader for direct loading into the ships.

Minsheng Bank has advised that they are prepared to provide the additional credit facility for the Townsville Port facility and the Cloncurry Multi Rail Load facilities if CuDeco is not successful with its current negotiations.

The approval for this credit facility is just one more “brick in the wall” for the Rocklands world class copper project.

On behalf of the Board

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