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Second round of post DFS stakeholder engagements complete as mining license approval and stakeholder engagement process advances

Highlights

- Second round of community and stakeholder engagements completed as the mining license approval process advances
- The social and environmental impact assessment engagements are now complete
- The engagements follow the completion of a public review period for Colluli Social and Environmental Impact Assessment (SEIA) and associated management plans (SEMP) which closed on the 11th July
- The management plans have been discussed with all local stakeholders
- Impact assessment and management plan documents have been made available to local communities at key population centres in the local area
- The mining license approvals process continues to progress well with representatives from the Ministry of Land, Water and Environment, and the Ministry of Energy and Mines visiting the Colluli site over the past month
- Ongoing community, local government and stakeholder engagements are planned throughout the project development cycle

Danakali Limited (ASX:DNK) (“**Danakali**” or the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce that, consistent with the requirements of the Equator Principles, and to support the approval for the mining license application for the Colluli Potash Project, a second round of post definitive feasibility study (DFS) local stakeholder engagements has been completed within Eritrea. In addition to presenting the outcomes of the social and environmental impact assessments (SEIA), the associated management plans were presented. The impact assessments and management plans have been made available to the local communities.





While the public review period for comment on the impact assessment and associated management plans closed on the 11th of July, ongoing engagement and feedback forms and essential component of ongoing community engagement. No issues were raised from the public review and feedback process. Regular stakeholder engagements will continue as the project advances through its development phases.



Managing Director, Paul Donaldson said *“Ongoing dialogue with the local communities and key stakeholders is absolutely critical in establishing ourselves as a responsible corporate citizen and ensuring that appropriate forums exist to raise any issues or concerns with the development. To date we have had overwhelming support for the project. We are working closely with the relevant ministries as the mining license approval progresses and to date there has been a high level of engagement and focus on this process in the country. Over the past month, in addition to the stakeholder engagements, we have hosted visits for representatives from the Ministry of Land, Water and Environment as well as the Ministry of Energy and Mines.”*



The project DFS which was completed in late 2015, indicates Colluli is a world class project with industry leading capital intensity, bottom quartile operating costs and an ore reserve of 1.1 billion tonnes.





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About Danakali Limited

Danakali is an ASX listed company and 50% owner of the Colluli Potash Project in Eritrea, East Africa. The company is currently developing the Colluli Project in partnership with ENAMCO. Colluli is 100% owned by CMSC, which is a 50:50 joint venture between Danakali and ENAMCO.

The project is located in the Danakil Depression region of Eritrea, and is c. 75km from the Red Sea coast, making it one of the most accessible potash deposits globally. Mineralisation within the Colluli resource commences at just 16m, making it the world's shallowest potash deposit. The resource is amenable to open pit mining, which allows higher overall resource recovery to be achieved, is generally safer than underground mining and is highly advantageous for modular growth.

In November 2015, Danakali released a positive DFS for Colluli which demonstrates industry leading capital intensity and the lowest development costs relative to all SOP projects at DFS level in the world. Bottom quartile operating costs are predicted and mine life is estimated at over 200 years at the DFS production rate, providing the project with substantial growth potential.

SOP is a chloride free, specialty fertiliser which carries a substantial price premium relative to the more common potash type; potassium chloride. Economic resources for production of SOP are geologically scarce. The unique composition of the Colluli resource favours low energy input, high potassium yield conversion to SOP using commercially proven technology. One of the key advantages of the resource is that the salts are present in solid form (in contrast with production of SOP from brines) which reduces infrastructure costs and substantially reduces the time required to achieve full production capacity.

The potassium bearing resource of the Danakil Depression has the unique capability to produce three of the four potash types in the global potash market which comprises potassium chloride (muriate of potash or MOP), potassium sulphate (sulphate of potash or SOP), potassium magnesium sulphate (sulphate of potash magnesia or SOP-M) and potassium nitrate (nitrate of potash or NOP). While CMSC is concentrating on achieving SOP production in the near-term, the focus is on developing a multi agri-commodity and salt business in the medium term.

The resource is favourably positioned to supply the world's fastest growing markets.

Our vision is to bring the Colluli project into production using the principles of risk management, resource utilisation and modularity, using the starting module as a growth platform to develop the resource to its full potential.

Mineral Resource Statements

The 2015 Colluli Potash Mineral Resource is reported according to the JORC Code and estimated at 1,289Mt @11% K₂O Equiv. The Mineral Resource is classed as 303Mt @ 11% K₂O Equiv Measured, 951Mt @ 11% K₂O Equiv Indicated and 35Mt @ 10% K₂O Equiv Inferred. The Competent Person for this estimate is Mr. Stephen Halabura, M. Sc., P. Geo., Fellow of Engineers Canada (Hon), Fellow of Geoscientists Canada, and a geologist with over 25 years' experience in the potash mining industry. Mr. Halabura is a member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan, a Recognised Professional Organisation (RPO) under the JORC Code and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code.

The 2015 Colluli Rock Salt Mineral Resource is reported according to the JORC Code and estimated at 347Mt @96.9% NaCl. The Mineral Resource is classed as 28Mt @ 97.2% NaCl Measured, 180Mt @ 96.6% NaCl Indicated and 139Mt @ 97.2% NaCl Inferred. The Competent Person for this estimate is Mr. John Tyrrell, a geologist with more than 25 years' experience in the field of Mineral Resource estimation. Mr Tyrrell is a member of the AusIMM, is a full time employee of AMC Consultants Pty Ltd and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code.

Mr. Tyrrell & Mr. Halabura consent to the inclusion of information relating to the Mineral Resource Statements in the form and context in which they appear.

Ore Reserve Statement

The November 2015 Colluli Ore Reserve is reported according to the JORC Code and estimated at 1,113Mt @10% K₂O Equiv. The Ore Reserve is classed as 286Mt @ 11% K₂O Equiv Proved and 827Mt @ 10% K₂O Equiv Probable. The Competent Person for the estimate is Mr Mark Chesher, a mining engineer with more than 30 years' experience in the mining industry. Mr. Chesher is a Fellow of the AusIMM, a Chartered Professional, a full-time employee of AMC Consultants Pty Ltd, and has sufficient open pit mining activity experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code. Mr Chesher consents to the inclusion of information relating to the Ore Reserve in the form and context in which it appears.

In reporting the Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves referred to in this public release, AMC Consultants Pty Ltd acted as an independent party, has no interest in the outcome of the Colluli Project and has no business relationship with Danakali Ltd other than undertaking those individual technical consulting assignments as engaged, and being paid according to standard per diem rates with reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses. Therefore, AMC Consultants Pty Ltd and the Competent Persons believe that there is no conflict of interest in undertaking the assignments which are the subject of the statements.