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Ikwezi Mining granted Integrated Water Use Licence

Ikwezi Mining Limited (ASX: IKW, Ikwezi Mining or Company) is pleased to announce that it has been granted an Integrated Water Use License (IWUL) for its Ntendeka Colliery by the Department of Water Affairs of South Africa.

The granting of the IWUL puts the regulatory framework in place to enable the Company to complete construction of the water supply system to the Ntendeka Colliery wash plant.

“The granting of the Integrated Water Use Licence is an important milestone in bringing the Ntendeka Colliery (Newcastle Project) into operation” says Ikwezi Mining MD, David Pile.

Water for the Ntendeka Colliery will be sourced from the old underground Ngagane Colliery workings approximately 6km from the operation’s wash plant.

“We have designed the Ntendeka Colliery using industry-leading technology to conserve and recycle as much water as possible to minimise the impact on available water supplies in the area” says Pile.

The water from the old Ngagane Colliery workings will be processed through a Dissolved Air Flotation (DAF) plant to bring it to an industrial standard before use by operations. A potable water treatment plant will also be built to supply the operation with its potable water requirements. To further reduce water use, additional capital has been spent on the coal wash plant through the inclusion of filter presses. This results in the discard from the wash plant being “dry” rather than the normal slurry dams utilised by most processing facilities.

An IWUL is also a requirement in South Africa to commence mining activities. Stefanutti Stocks Mining Services (SSMS) has been contracted to undertake all opencast mining operations at the Ntendeka Colliery including providing all opencast mining equipment. This will provide the Company with certainty

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as to production volumes and qualities, which together with the off-take agreement to Vitol provides a strong platform for the Company to move forward into production.

As previously announced, Ikwezi Mining has a rail agreement with Transnet Freight Rail (TFR) further to its commitment to provide the Ntendeka Colliery with 1.5Mtpa rail capacity to either the port of Durban or Richards Bay. The Company has also been offered port capacity at both Durban and the Navitrade facility at Richards Bay for which it intends to finalise the contracts shortly. The remaining construction activities at the colliery together with the commencement of mining are dependent on the finalisation of the Company's finance facility which is progressing well.

About Ikwezi

Ikwezi Mining Ltd is focused on the exploration and development of coal projects in South Africa. Ikwezi has a 70% stake in the Ntendeka Colliery and a 60% interest in the Dundee, Acorn and Assegai projects. The Ntendeka Colliery is located in the KwaZulu-Natal coal fields, has an existing JORC-compliant resource of approximately 221 Mt and is in close proximity to rail and port infrastructure.

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