



## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

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### MRL WELCOMES PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR YILGARN MINES

**Mineral Resources Limited (ASX:MIN, MRL)** welcomes advice from the Western Australian Minister for the Environment that mining proposals for the Jackson 5 and Bungalbin East deposits in the Yilgarn will now be assessed under a Public Environmental Review.

The Minister's action is consistent with the Western Australian Government's 2010 decision to classify the area containing the Jackson 5 (a granted mining lease) and Bungalbin East (a pending mining lease) deposits as a lower level conservation area that did not preclude mining, rather than declaring the area an A-class reserve.

MRL is confident that its industry-leading environmental practices including minimising site disturbance, locating infrastructure away from sensitive areas and its proven rehabilitation expertise can successfully balance environmental requirements with development requirements.

Development of mining operations at these deposits will provide a significant boost to the regional and state economy, with the operations phase providing almost 2,000 full time equivalent positions, comprised of both direct and flow-on employment.

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#### **Mineral Resources Limited Company Profile**

Mineral Resources Limited is a leading, integrated, Australian based mining services and processing company with operations in contract crushing, general mine services, infrastructure provision and recovery of base metal concentrate for export. Operations are supplemented by rehabilitation and sale of heavy duty crushing and processing equipment, hire of engineering and crushing fleet plant and workshop manufacture of polyethylene pipe fittings and components.

Comprising long standing core businesses, PIHA Pty Ltd, Crushing Services International Pty Ltd Process Minerals International Pty Ltd, Polaris Metals Pty Ltd and Mesa Minerals Limited, Mineral Resources Limited has developed a strong reputation for the cost effective delivery of its services and products to the resources and infrastructure sectors.

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