

Media Announcement

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Clean-iX® Technology Validated but Acquisition not pursued

Clean TeQ Holdings Limited (**ASX:CLQ**) advises that the purchase of the wholly owned subsidiary Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd (**LCCM**) from Phoenix Copper Limited (**ASX:PNX**) has not proceeded.

As announced on 24 October 2013, a non-binding term sheet was signed with Phoenix Copper for the purchase of LCCM, which owns the Mountain of Light operation. Completion of the sale was subject to due diligence procedures by Clean TeQ on the asset and was to occur no later than 22 January 2014.

Clean TeQ has completed its due diligence program on LCCM which included extensive technical and legal reviews of the assets, the existing operation and the in situ resources.

The due diligence process included testing and validation of Clean TeQ's Clean-iX® resin-based process for the extraction of copper from the low-grade copper oxide present in the LCCM ore. The laboratory test work showed that the Clean-iX® process successfully recovered the leached copper values and produced a concentrated copper sulphate solution suitable for refining to copper cathode.

While the LCCM assets showed promise as a resource recovery project, they did not clear the Clean TeQ investment hurdles and the acquisition will not proceed. Clean-iX® process validation however is a very positive outcome and this opens the door for both contract and joint venture resource recovery projects in the copper mining sector.

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About Clean TeQ Holdings Limited (ASX: CLQ)

Clean TeQ (ASX: CLQ) is a world leader in water treatment and resource recovery technology and the Australian leader in biological air purification. Clean TeQ develops technologies in-house and partners with leading technology suppliers worldwide.

The Company offers a range of business models to potential clients including licensing our technology, building and commissioning complete installations (both transportable and fixed), and building and operating installations in joint ventures, in return for a share of revenues generated through resources recovered. Clean TeQ will also acquire mining assets where its technologies can make exploitation of uneconomic ore bodies or re-processing of tailings profitable.

For more information about Clean TeQ please visit the Company's website at www.cleanteq.com.