



ASTRON CORPORATION LIMITED

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Notice to the Australian Stock Exchange

Production and Exploration Report

Quarter Ended 31 March 2018

Donald Mineral Sands Pty Ltd (DMS) and Sovereign Gold NL (SG) (both 100% controlled by Astron Corporation Limited)

DMS owns EL5255, EL5472, MIN5532, RL2002 (formerly EL4433), RL2003 (formerly EL4432) and RL2006 (formerly EL5353 and RLA2006), SG owns EL5186, which together comprise the Donald Mineral Sands Project (Donald Project).

RL 2006 has been amalgamated into RL2003, as of October 2017.

EL 5353 has expired, the area was amalgamated with RL2006 into RL2003.

EL5255 has expired, and not renewed.

Donald Project

PRODUCTION

During the quarter the Donald Project did not conduct any production activities.

DEVELOPMENT

During the quarter, the development of the Donald continued with the following being undertaken:

Test Pit

Donald completed its second extraction of Run of Mine Material during the quarter with a 1,000t ore sample excavation program. The test pit ROM material will be refined into final products for the development of marketing samples and long term global off take agreements.

Feasibility study

DMS has completed the technical aspects of the optimisation of the feasibility study as previously announced and work continues on the capital aspects of the optimisation. Initial indications are that improvements from the updated technical aspects and the use of Chinese equipment will be positive. An updated feasibility study is anticipated to be completed shortly.



Funding

As announced on 13 October 2015, DMS entered into an EPC (engineering, procurement and construction) contract with the China Machinery Engineering Corporation. As announced on 7 December 2017, the parties have agreed to further extend the date for satisfaction of conditions precedent under the EPC contract to 30 June 2018. The parties continue to work towards satisfaction of conditions precedent and improving the projects.

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Total expenses incurred were:

Production Activities	Mar Qtr 2018	YTD 2018 FY
	Nil	Nil
Development Activities	Mar Qtr 2018	YTD 2018 FY
	\$195,906	\$896,065

Niafarang Project

Astron owns licence issued under Order Number 09042/MIM/TMG

PRODUCTION

During the quarter the Niafarang Project did not conduct any production activities.

DEVELOPMENT

Mining licence and next stages

As announced on 8 June 2017, the mining licence was issued. All aspects of the project are now being progressed to target commencement of activities in half quarter 2018. It is anticipated that the mine will be a surface mine with little or no overburden, meaning the mining method will be relatively straightforward with spiral separation.

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Total expenses incurred were:

Production Activities	Mar Qtr 2018	YTD 2018 FY
	Nil	Nil
Development Activities	Mar Qtr 2018	YTD 2018 FY
	\$561,709	\$1,058,557

Note: the development activities expenditure includes procurement, design and consulting in anticipation of commencement of the Senegal project.



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About Astron

Astron has commenced the rebuilding of its Advanced Materials & Manufacturing base in China. Building onto its 25 year record as an advanced supplier of advanced materials, Astron will develop its own major Zircon, Titanium and Rare Earth feed stock supplies from its Niafarang and Donald projects.

The Donald project is one of the largest known zircon and titanium resources in the world. The project has significant potential for long term supply into global markets with its final products while creating sustainable growth and regional development in Victoria Australia.

The Niafarang project in Senegal, West Africa, is a high-grade coastal mineral sands deposit, to be exploited using simple dredge mining and processing methodology.

Astron continues to build on its unique 25 year track record in China as a Chinese-Australian company in developing, selling and marketing zirconium and titanium products.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT

Certain sections of this document contain forward looking statements that are subject to risk factors associated with, among others, the economic and business circumstances occurring from time to time in the countries and sectors in which the Astron group operates. It is believed that the expectations reflected in these statements are reasonable, but they may be affected by a wide range of variables which could cause results to differ materially from those currently projected.