

## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

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# Grid power supply secured for Awak Mas

# Highlights

- Landmark MOU signed with State-owned power utility (PLN) for the future supply of grid power to the Awak Mas Gold Project ('Project').
- PLN has recently completed a major grid upgrade in southern Sulawesi with high voltage power available within 35km of the Project.
- The supply of low cost grid power to the Project is a major development leading up to the commencement of the DFS.
- Resource expansion drilling on schedule to commence in late August.

Indonesian gold development company Nusantara Resources Limited ('Nusantara', ASX: NUS) is pleased to announce that a non-binding MOU has been executed with the State-owned power utility PT PLN (Persero) for the provision of grid power to Nusantara's 100%-owned Awak Mas Gold Project located in South Sulawesi, Indonesia.

The MOU covers the provision of:

- interim power to existing facilities and proposed construction facilities; and
- long-term, low cost power, via a high voltage connection of approximately 35km to be constructed in time for commissioning of the proposed mining project, subject to the execution of a final agreement by June 2018.

The signing of the MOU marks the commencement of a busy period for Nusantara following its successful \$16.2 million IPO and recent ASX listing.

An 8,000m resource expansion drilling is scheduled to commence in the next few weeks with an updated Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimate planned for release in early 2018. Work on the Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) will also commence shortly, with completion targeted for mid-2018 in advance of an investment decision.

Nusantara's CEO and Managing Director Mike Spreadborough commented:

"The supply of grid power to the Project is a positive development for the forthcoming DFS and will provide significant cost advantages over on-site power generation as envisaged in past feasibility studies.

With our resource expansion drilling program commencing shortly, the Company looks forward to updating the market with further positive developments at Awak Mas in the weeks ahead."



#### **About Nusantara Resources**

Nusantara is an ASX-listed gold development company with its flagship project comprising the 1.74 million ounce Awak Mas Gold Project located in Sulawesi, Indonesia. Discovered in 1988, the Project has had some 124km of drilling completed in over 1,000 holes. The Project is currently 100%owned in a 7th Generation Contract of Work (CoW) with the Indonesian Government.

Nusantara's development strategy is for a large-scale, low strip ratio open pit operation with ore to be processed by conventional flotation and cyanide leaching. Environmental approval has already been received for the Project, which is favourably located in non-forestry land close to established roads, ports and grid power, enabling the Project to quickly advance towards development upon completion of the Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) by mid to late 2018.

Nusantara's second strategy is to grow the resource base and sustain a mining operation beyond the initial targeted life of 10 years. Multiple drill-ready targets have already been outlined extending from the three main deposits and in other areas of the 140km<sup>2</sup> CoW.

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