ASX Announcement



19 June 2023

ARROWSMITH NORTH PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PERIOD COMMENCES

Highlights:

- Publication of Environmental Review Document for Arrowsmith North
- Four-week Public Environmental Review period commences today

VRX Silica Limited (VRX or Company) is pleased to announce that the Environmental Review Document (ERD) for its Arrowsmith North Silica Sand Project (Proposal) has been published and the four-week Public Environmental Review (PER) period has commenced today.

As announced to ASX on 9 June 2023, the ERD has been accepted by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (**DWER**) for publication and release for PER.

Publication of the ERD and commencement of the PER period is a significant step in Arrowsmith North's approvals process.

The PER process includes a requirement for VRX to respond to all comments received in connection with the proposal. This PER and response process is the final step before the Environmental Protection Authority of Western Australia (**EPA**) prepares an assessment report including recommendations to the Western Australian Environment Minister on whether the Proposal should be approved.

A copy of the ERD is available on the VRX website at:

https://vrxsilica.com.au/arrowsmith-north-erd-documents/

Information on the PER is available on the EPA website at:

https://consultation.epa.wa.gov.au/open-forsubmissions/arrowsmith-north-silica-per/

Further information on the proposal is available on the EPA website at:

https://www.epa.wa.gov.au/proposals/arrowsmith-north-silica-sand-project

ASX: VRX Capital Structure

Shares on Issue: 560.4 million Unlisted Options: 48.5 million

Corporate Directory Paul Boyatzis

Non-Executive Chairman **Bruce Maluish**

Managing Director

Peter Pawlowitsch

Non-Executive Director

David Welch

Non-Executive Director

Ian Hobson

Company Secretary

Silica Sand Projects

Arrowsmith Silica Sand Projects, 270km north of Perth, WA.

Muchea Silica Sand Project, 50km north of Perth, WA.

Boyatup Silica Sand Project, 100km east of Esperance, WA.

The Company is actively assessing other silica sand projects in Australia.



This announcement has been authorised for release to ASX by the Managing Director, Bruce Maluish.

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About VRX Silica Limited

VRX Silica Limited (ASX: VRX) is the most advanced pureplay silica sand company listed on the ASX, developing its 100% owned silica sand projects at Arrowsmith (North, Brand and Central), Muchea and Boyatup in Western Australia.

Silica sand is the most used commodity on the planet after air and water. It is the main ingredient in all types of glassmaking, including specialty solar panel and high-tech glass, and foundry casting. It is a finite resource that is running out, with the Asia-Pacific region experiencing an ever-growing supply shortfall that is driving up prices.

Arrowsmith is located 270km north of Perth. Arrowsmith North boasts a minimum 25-year mine life capable of producing more than 2Mt tonnes per year of high-grade (99.7% SiO₂)* silica sand for export to the foundry, container glass and flat glass markets in Asia, with permitting well advanced, and will lead production.

Muchea, located 50km north of Perth, is an ultra-high-grade (99.9% SiO₂)* silica sand project capable of producing sand required for ultra-clear glass for solar panels and other high-tech glass applications.

Boyatup, located 100km east of Esperance, is under development and capable of producing sand for the glass market.



^{*}Information relating to grades are extracted from releases to ASX on 28 August 2019 and 11 November 2022 (Arrowsmith North) and 18 October 2019 (Muchea). The company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects this information.