



## **STRANDLINE COMPLETES COMMISSIONING MILESTONE AND FIRST SHIPMENT OF CHLORIDE ILMENITE AT COBURN PROJECT IN WA**

### **Focus continues on optimising recoveries and specifications of the remaining zircon and rutile products to maximise sale prices**

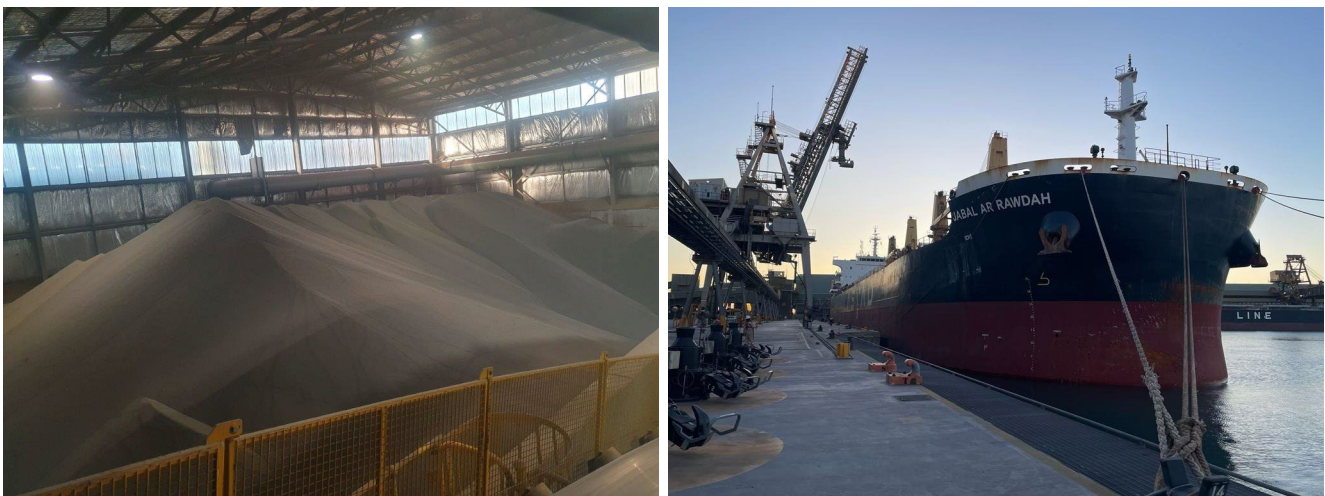
Strandline Resources Limited (ASX: STA) is pleased to announce positive progress in the commissioning of the Mineral Separation Plant (MSP) at its Coburn mineral sands project, with first shipment of chloride ilmenite product now completed.

This first shipment of ilmenite is part of commissioning and ramp-up of Coburn's downstream MSP. The MSP is designed to separate the heavy mineral concentrate (HMC) produced from Coburn's Wet Concentration Plant (WCP) into valuable critical minerals of zircon, titanium (rutile and ilmenite), as well as a zircon in concentrate product (ZIC) containing monazite rare earths.

The shipment of approximately 6,000 metric tonnes of ilmenite (a titanium ore) was loaded at the Port of Geraldton in bulk cargo form. The shipment is destined for Strandline's offtake customer in America and is expected to be used for production of high-quality titanium dioxide  $TiO_2$ , which in turn is used primarily in pigments for paint, paper, ink and plastic applications.

Commissioning and tuning of equipment and process circuits in the MSP is progressing, with a key focus on increasing recoveries, specification and inventories of the other final product streams of zircon and rutile.

Preparations are already underway to co-ordinate the second shipment of ilmenite scheduled for September or October, with final timing to be determined by the shipping schedule of the offtake customer. While the commissioning of the MSP progresses, the Company aims to continue shipping HMC or ZIC product.



*Figure 1 Coburn Project – Ilmenite stockpile at Geraldton Port prior to loading on the first shipment*



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**Figure 2** Coburn Project - Mineral Separation Plant

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Strandline's strategy is to develop and operate high margin, expandable mining assets with market differentiation and global relevance in the sector. Strandline's project portfolio contains high quality assets which offer a range of development options and timelines, geographic diversity and scalability. They include the world-scale Coburn Project in WA and the exciting Tanzanian growth projects including Fungoni and Tajiri.