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## Disturbance of artefact scatter at DeGrussa

Sandfire Resources Limited (Sandfire or the Company) advises that an internal review of historical activities has confirmed that unregistered, low density artefact scatter has been disturbed at its DeGrussa operations, which were placed on care and maintenance in the June 2023 quarter. The review included an assessment of available geospatial data, which indicated the disturbance primarily occurred in 2017 and 2018 as a result of a series of process failures during the construction of the Monty satellite mine.

Sandfire has engaged with the Traditional Owners to inform them of the disturbance of artefact scatter within the Monty mining lease and apologise. Sandfire management and representatives of the Traditional Owners group jointly visited the mining lease earlier this month, and Sandfire is seeking to understand the Traditional Owner's wishes and respond to their needs.

Separately, Sandfire will complete a thorough investigation to determine the root cause of the process failures and to identify potential improvement opportunities in our approach to historical matters of this nature. Sandfire can also confirm that the matter was reported to its Board of Directors when its Chief Executive Officer, Brendan Harris, was informed and steps were taken to enable the Company to quickly notify the Traditional Owners from that point.

Following continued engagement with the Traditional Owners and their representative, Sandfire has now reported the disturbance of unregistered, low density artefact scatter to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage in Western Australia.

Our Chief Executive Officer, Brendan Harris, said: "Sandfire prides itself on being a values based organisation and we are extremely sorry to have disturbed artefact scatter within the Monty mining lease during construction and mining activities. Our local communities are of critical importance to us and we will work hard to rebuild our relationship with the Traditional Owners."

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This announcement is authorised for release by Sandfire's CEO and Managing Director, Brendan Harris.



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