



EVOLUTION INCREASES STAKE IN PHOENIX

Phoenix Gold Limited (ASX Code: PXG) ("**Phoenix**" or the "**Company**") announces that it has been made aware that the purchaser of 49 million Phoenix shares at \$0.12 per share on Friday 24 July was Evolution Mining Limited ("**Evolution**"). This share purchase means that Evolution has increased its shareholding in Phoenix to approximately 19.8% making it the Company's largest shareholder.

Evolution's increased stake in Phoenix follows the previous announcement by Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd ("**Zijin**") of its intention to make an unsolicited, conditional off-market takeover offer for Phoenix at \$0.10 per share.

The Director's believe that Evolution's acquisition of shares at a premium to the Zijin offer supports the strategic nature of the Company's asset portfolio. As noted previously, discussions continue with a number of parties to consider value maximising proposals for Phoenix and its assets and, while there is no guarantee that this engagement will result in a Superior Proposal, these discussions are ongoing.

Zijin is yet to release the Bidder's Statement in relation to its offer, which is accordingly not currently capable of acceptance. The Bidder's Statement is required to be lodged with Phoenix, the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("**ASIC**") and the Australian Securities Exchange, no later than 10 August 2015 (unless relief is granted by the ASIC). The Directors continue to recommend Phoenix shareholders TAKE NO ACTION in relation to the Zijin offer.

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