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**ASX Limited** 

## **COMPLETION OF SALE OF MOUNT GORDON OPERATIONS**

Further to an ASX Release dated 21 September 2015 by Aditya Birla Minerals Limited ("ABML" or the "Company") (ASX: ABY) in relation to the sale of all of the shares in Birla Mt. Gordon Pty Ltd ("BMG"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, to Lighthouse Minerals Holdings Pty Ltd ("Buyer"), (the "Transaction"), the Company is pleased to announce that all of the conditions precedent under the Share Purchase Agreement for the Transaction ("SPA") have now been satisfied.

Accordingly the Transaction was completed in the afternoon of 27 October 2015 and as such:

- all of the shares in BMG have been transferred by the Company to the Buyer;
- the Company has received A\$5 million in cash from the Buyer;
- the Company has also received reimbursement for Care & Maintenance costs of A\$113k for September. Care and Maintenance costs for October up to date of completion will be settled subsequently as per the terms of the SPA; and
- the Company's unencumbered cash balance has increased by an additional A\$47.7 million (inclusive of the A\$5 million payment from the Buyer) after the A\$41.7 million security deposits with Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited ("ANZ") for environmental and performance bonds for Mt Gordon, and the sale escrow deposit of A\$1 million, were released in full by ANZ.

The completion of the Transaction is expected to result in a non-cash impairment of ~A\$29 million to be recognised in the half-yearly Financial Statements, which are to be released in November 2015 and are currently subject to audit review.

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