

## **Announcement**

## New Product – Stratigraphic Metals XPAC Solution

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RungePincockMinarco Limited (ASX:RUL) [RPM] has today announced the expansion of its suite of commodity based mine scheduling software solutions, through the launch of Stratigraphic Metals XPAC Solution ™.

Stratigraphic Metals is a Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) software product that is specifically designed to handle the complex scheduling issues unique to this type of mining with dynamic design, haulage and product optimisation all forming part of this powerful solution and, like the other RPM Commodity Based Solutions, is built on RPM's industry leading scheduling solution, XPAC <sup>®</sup>.

Stratigraphic metal mines are shallow and extensive and therefore present a number of challenges not encountered with traditional open pit mines. The opportunities for backfilling in worked out sections of the mine are considerable and the maintenance of adequate backfill space is essential when maximising haulage efficiency. Such situations require a more dynamic and flexible approach to the design of the mine.

Commenting on the release, RPM's CEO and Managing Director Richard Mathews, said "As a solution built on our XPAC solution platform, Stratigraphic Metals Solution users can expect the powerful, user friendly, process driven scheduling solution that is available in our Open Pit Metals, Open Cut Diamonds, Oil Sands, Open Cut Coal, Quarrying and Phosphates solutions. What is truly unique and innovative with this latest solution however is how dynamic haulage is used to model and provide accurate alternative routes to schedulers into both the worked out areas and the conventional external pit dumps within a mine."

Featuring the same level of speed and agility of RPM's other scheduling solutions, Stratigraphic Metals Solution fills a much needed gap in the industry.

Mr. Mathews concluded by saying, "Harnessing the powerful Product Optimiser functionality that ensures production targets and qualities are always met, Stratigraphic Metals is the only scheduling system of its kind that can compare and optimise these complex options, ensuring the optimal mining decisions are always taken and enabling users to identify the most cost-effective scheduling and extraction sequence."

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## About RungePincockMinarco:

RungePincockMinarco Limited (ASX: RUL) is the world's largest publicly traded independent group of mining technical experts, with history stretching back to 1968. We have local expertise in all mining regions and are experienced across all commodities and mining methods.

Listed on the Australian Securities Exchange on 27 May 2008, RungePincockMinarco is a global leader in the provision of advisory consulting, technology and professional development solutions to the mining industry. We have global expertise achieved through our work in over 118 countries and our approach to the business of mining is strongly grounded in economic principles.

We operate offices in 18 locations across 12 countries.