

SIPA RAISES \$4.2M FOLLOWING OUTSTANDING SHAREHOLDER RESPONSE TO SHARE PURCHASE PLAN

SPP closes heavily oversubscribed putting Sipa in a strong position as maiden drill program progresses at Paterson North copper-gold project

Highlights:

- \$4.2M raised via heavily oversubscribed Share Purchase Plan at 2 cents per share
- Together with recent share placement, strengthens Sipa's cash reserves to approximately
 \$5.7M
- Maiden 10,000m drill program now well underway at the Obelisk copper-gold anomaly, Great Sandy Project (Paterson Province) – initial results expected in September 2016

Sipa Resources Limited (**Sipa or the Company**) (ASX: **SRI**) is pleased to advise that the Company's Share Purchase Plan (**SPP**) announced on 20 July 2016 closed heavily oversubscribed on 17 August 2016 following an exceptional response from shareholders.

The Company received valid applications for \$5.34 from 698 shareholders.

In light of this strong demand, the Company's Board elected to accept oversubscriptions over the original target of \$2.0 million to \$4.2 million, which is just under the maximum allowable amount under exception 15 of the ASX Listing Rule 7.2, and will undertake a pro-rata scale-back of all valid applications received by the closing date. The result is shareholders will receive 79% of the valid application. For example, if a shareholder applied for \$15,000 worth of Sipa shares under the SPP, they will be allocated \$11,850 worth of Sipa shares (at an issue price of 2 cents per Sipa share) and refunded \$3,150.

The Company expects the shares under the SPP to be issued on 23 August 2016, with trading expected to commence on 24 August 2016 with holding statements also issued on that date. Refunds are expected to be dispatched to shareholders on 26 August 2016.

Together with the proceeds of the recent share placement and existing cash reserves, the proceeds of the SPP will increase Sipa's cash reserves to approximately \$5.7 million, putting it in a strong position to progress its ongoing exploration activities, both in Australia and Uganda.

Sipa's Managing Director, Lynda Burnett, said the exceptional response to the SPP reflected the depth and strength of the Company's share register, the quality of its key exploration projects and improving market sentiment towards the exploration sector.

"This is a tremendous result which puts Sipa in an enviable position as we ramp-up our exploration activities both in Australia and Africa," she said.

"We currently have a very exciting drilling campaign underway in one of Australia's most prospective exploration provinces, the Paterson Province of Western Australia, and are enthusiastic about the initial results of that drilling in the coming weeks. We are also planning follow-up work at our emerging Akelikongo nickel discovery in Uganda and additional phases of work in Australia.

"I would like to thank our shareholders for their continued strong support of the Company and its exploration strategy," she said.



<u>Update on Paterson North Drilling Program</u>

The Company's maiden drilling program at the Great Sandy Copper-Gold Project in the Paterson Province of WA commenced earlier this month using a multi-purpose Aircore and Reverse Circulation drilling rig contracted from Strike Drilling.

The program, which will comprise up to 10,000m of aircore drilling and is designed to test a newly discovered extensive primary copper-gold-bismuth anomaly, known as the Obelisk prospect, which is located immediately to the north of the Magnum and Citadel Copper-Gold Projects, owned by Antipa Minerals Limited (Antipa - ASX-AZY).

The program is now well underway and expected to be completed by early September with first results expected later in the month.



Figure 1 – Aircore drilling rig operating this week at the Obelisk copper-gold anomaly, Great Sandy Project

The host geology within Sipa's Great Sandy Project is interpreted to be similar to that which hosts the mineralization discovered by Antipa, and the Obelisk anomaly is located just 5km from some of the strong IP chargeability anomalies announced recently by Antipa under its \$60 million exploration joint venture with Rio Tinto.

Sipa is farming into the Great Sandy Copper-Gold project (E45/3599) under a recently announced Farmin and JV agreement with privately owned Ming Gold Limited (**Ming**). Under this deal, Sipa can earn up to an 80% in the project for expenditure of \$3 million over 4 years.

The tenement is adjacent to Sipa's recently pegged Anketell tenement (ELA45/4697), both of which comprise the Paterson North Project. The location of Sipa's Paterson North Project is shown in Figure 1.



The Paterson Province is a globally recognized, strongly endowed and highly prospective mineral belt for gold and copper including the plus world-class Telfer deposits, Antipa's Magnum and Citadel gold and copper deposits, the Nifty copper and Kintyre uranium deposits and the O'Callaghans skarn-hosted tungsten deposit.

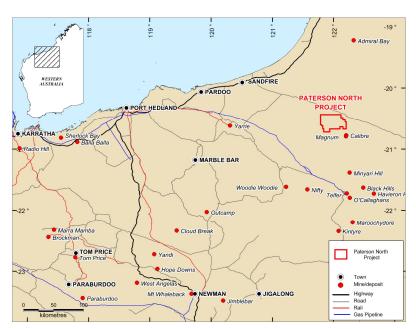


Figure 2 - Sipa's Paterson North copper-gold projects

About Sipa

Sipa Resources Limited (ASX: SRI) is an Australian-based exploration company which is targeting the discovery of significant new gold-copper and base metal deposits in established and emerging mineral provinces with world-class potential.

In Northern Uganda, the 100%-owned Kitgum-Pader Base Metals Project contains two new mineral discoveries both made by Sipa during 2014 and 2015. The intrusive hosted Nickel-Copper sulphide mineralisation at Akelikongo is one of the most significant nickel sulphide discoveries globally for 2015.

At Akelikongo, Sipa has delineated an intrusive-hosted chonolith nickel-copper sulphide system which is outcropping and plunges shallowly to the north-west for a distance of at least 500m and open to the north-west. Further drilling is planned at this exciting discovery in the second half of 2016.

In Australia, Sipa has a Farm-in and Joint Venture Agreement with Ming Gold at the Paterson North Project, where extensive primary copper anomalism was intersected at the Obelisk prospect in primary bedrock adjacent to Rio/Antipa's Magnum and Citadel Gold/Copper Project. The Company's maiden drilling program at the Obelisk prospect commences in August 2016.

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results was previously reported in the ASX announcement dated 17 March 2016. The Company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in those relevant market announcements

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