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### **SARCO Laos Bauxite Project Update**

Ord River Resources Limited (ASX: ORD) is pleased to provide the following update on its Lao Bauxite Project. The project is being operated by Sino Australia Australian Resources Company (“SARCO”) a JV company in Laos which ORD owns 49% and China Nonferrous Metal Industry’s Foreign Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd (“NFC”) owns 51%.

The tender process for the engineering and mining contract for the feasibility study is close to completion. Several large Chinese specialist engineering and mining firms were invited to bid for the feasibility study work. They have worked with NFC in the past on large scale projects. Each firm sent teams to Laos for scoping study in the last two months to prepare for their bids.

We expect to be in a position to appoint a successful bidder soon. The winning bidder will send a team to Laos after Chinese New Year holiday to commence engineering and mining assessment work. Assessment work will be conducted for both LSI and Yuqida tenements. Both tenements’ resources are going to be devoted to the planned 600,000 ton per annum capacity alumina refinery.

We will announce the winning bidder and details of the work program as soon as the winning bidder has been selected and confirmed.

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