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### **Minister for the Environment Approves Balla Balla Export Facility**

Forge Resources Ltd ("Forge", ASX:FRG) announces that on 21 August 2013 the Western Australian Environmental Protection Authority (WA EPA) published the decision of the Minister for the Environment to approve the Balla Balla Export Facility.

As reported in the June 2013 Quarterly Report, Forge submitted on schedule the Assessment on Proponent Information documentation for the establishment of an export facility operation to the WA EPA.

On 17 June 2013 the WA EPA completed their assessment and published their recommended approval conditions. These approval conditions were open to public appeal until 1 July 2013. There were no outstanding appeals from the public appeals process, allowing the Appeals Convener to proceed with circulation of the conditions to the designated decision making authorities before dispatching the report and recommendations to the State Minister for the Environment in accordance with Section 44 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act).

Dr. Matthew James, Managing Director said "We are pleased to secure this key milestone to enable Forge to progress the Balla Balla export facility from concept to reality. Forge believes the proposed export facility will be a key strategic asset of the company in allowing the company to export iron ore from such close proximity to the Balla Balla resource."

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**For further information please contact Dr. Matthew James, Managing Director, on +61 2 9259 4400.**

### **About Forge Resources:**

The Company's primary project is its 75% interest in the advanced Balla Balla Vanadium – Titanium – Magnetite (VTi Magnetite) project that was acquired by Forge from Atlas Iron Ltd in May 2012. Balla Balla is located on granted mining tenements near the Pilbara coastline where Forge now has approval from the Minister of the Environment for an export facility. A revised DFS for the Balla Balla project is complete. In addition Forge is currently farming-in to an exploration project within the Fraser Range region. Forge in conjunction with its Joint Venture partners are also advancing the exploration of prospective tungsten, molybdenum, gold and base metal projects located in New South Wales, Australia and in accordance with its charter will also seek to acquire or participate in additional resource and energy projects in Australia and overseas.

<b>ASX Codes: FRG, FRGO</b>	<b>Directors</b>
<b>Issued Capital:</b> Ordinary Shares: 80,577,667 Options (Exp 7/14, Ex \$0.20): 19,855,905 Options (Exp 6/15, Ex \$0.67): 900,000 Options (Exp 12/15, Ex \$0.54): 4,500,000 Options (Exp 5/14, Ex \$0.50): 6,500,000 Options (Exp 5/15, Ex \$0.50): 1,000,000	Mr Nicholas Curtis: Chairman Dr. Matthew James: Managing Director Mr Emmanuel Correia: Non Exec Director Mr Harold Wang: Non Exec Director Mr Michael Wolley: Non Exec Director
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