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Exploration Drilling Resumes at Blackall Coal Project

Perth-based coal exploration company, East Energy Resources Limited (East Energy) has recommenced drilling in EPC 1149, south of Blackall, after a six week suspension caused by the intense rainfall over Queensland's Central West. The project area has now dried out and field work re-started on 12th January.

Over the coming weeks, the final stages of drilling will be completed on the Carlow field in the southern part of EPC 1149, over the area of the tenement that is expected to be amenable to open-cut mining. Over the last few months, Xenith Consulting have been working on the geological modelling of the coal seams based on drilling to date; this additional data will be used to finalise this work.

"We are pleased to be back in the field again, after six weeks of inactivity", said Mr Mark Basso, Managing Director of East Energy. "We have been very fortunate that roads and access have not suffered too much from the flooding, and we have now resumed our program of drilling seven days a week. We understand that the wet season is not over yet, and so there may be further minor delays, however we are aiming to have the next stage of the resource modelling completed before the end of this quarter", he said.

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