

Almonty Industries Inc. Announces the Full Repayment of the Outstanding Loan Owed to TaeguTec Ltd. and Has Received

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A Letter of Commitment from an Industry Participant for the Remaining Necessary Funding for the Buildout of the Sangdong Mine

[Almonty Industries Inc.](#) (TSX-V:All) ("Almonty") announces that it has repaid the outstanding CAD\$6,549,518 loan and accrued interest that was owed to TaeguTec Ltd. effectively releasing any and all security held by TaeguTec over the Sangdong Mine project. The loan was due on December 31, 2016. In addition to the repayment, Almonty and TaeguTec have terminated all the other agreements that were previously in effect between the parties relating to Sangdong. The loan was repaid out of funds borrowed pursuant to a previously announced loan agreement.

Almonty has also received a letter of commitment from an industry participant with respect to the funding of the equity component of the overall financing package needed to bring the Sangdong Mine into production. The nature and terms of the commitment are currently being finalised. It would essentially be 100% debt financing of the buildout meaning current shareholders would face no dilution of their ownership position. Almonty believes that the outcome of the negotiations will satisfy the requirements of the Letter of Commitment for up to KRW50,000,000,000 of debt financing currently in place with the Korean Development Bank for the build-out of the Sangdong Mine enabling Almonty to begin the construction in fiscal 2017. Almonty is currently finalising, with the same industry participant an off-take agreement covering 100% of the initial planned production of the Sangdong mine and expects to conclude these discussions in the near-term.

Almonty's Chairman, President and CEO Lewis Black said:

"The repayment of the loan to TaeguTec has cleared the path for Almonty to finalise negotiations with a leading industry participant for both funding and off-take agreements for the Sangdong mine enabling Almonty to further advance the development and ultimate construction of the plant required to bring the mine back into production. The terms of this financing are very favourable for Almonty shareholders as they would not face additional dilution. Based on the current EPC contract discussions to date we believe that Sangdong will be one of the largest and lowest cost tungsten mines to come on-line globally."

About Almonty

The principal business of Toronto, Canada-based Almonty Industries Inc. is the mining, processing and shipping of tungsten concentrate from its Los Santos Mine in western Spain, its Wolfram Camp Mine in north Queensland, Australia and its Panasqueira mine in Portugal as well as the development of the Sangdong tungsten mine in Gangwon Province, Korea and the Valtreixal tin/tungsten project in north western Spain. The Los Santos Mine was acquired by Almonty in September 2011 and is located approximately 50 kilometres from Salamanca in western Spain and produces tungsten concentrate. The Wolfram Camp Mine was acquired by Almonty in September 2014 and is located approximately 130 kilometres west of Cairns in northern Queensland, Australia and has produced tungsten and molybdenum concentrate, although the Wolfram Camp Mine is not currently producing due to ongoing refurbishment of the processing plant. The Panasqueira mine, which has been in production since 1896, is located approximately 260 kilometres northeast of Lisbon, Portugal, was acquired in January 2016 and produces tungsten concentrate. The Sangdong mine, which was historically one of the largest tungsten mines in the world and one of the few long-life, high-grade tungsten deposits outside of China, was acquired in September 2015 through the acquisition of a 100% interest in [Woulfe Mining Corp.](#) Almonty owns 51% of, and also has an irrevocable option to acquire a 100% ownership interest in, the Valtreixal tin-tungsten project in north-western Spain. Further information about Almonty's activities may be found at www.almonty.com and under Almonty's profile at www.sedar.com.

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