

MONTREAL, QUEBEC--(Marketwired - Aug 25, 2016) - [Oceanic Iron Ore Corp.](http://www.oceanicironore.com) ("Oceanic" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:FEO) is pleased to announce the commencement of Power China International Group Limited's ("Power China Int'l") work program (the "Program") pursuant to the terms of the Pre Engineering Procurement and Construction ("EPC") Framework Agreement (the "Agreement").

Power China Int'l has started to mobilize its technical and management team to Quebec to complete its EPC Proposal as noted in the Agreement previously announced by the Company on August 15, 2016. Senior executives of Power China Int'l and its affiliated companies will attend Montreal and the Company's Hopes Advance project site during the months of September and October as the Program progresses. Logistical arrangements are currently proceeding under the direction of Power China Int'l's Manager of North American business development, who is presently situated in Montreal.

Power China Int'l has dedicated a team of approximately 25 technical and specialized personnel to complete its EPC Proposal for the Hopes Advance project. Approximately one third of the team will be based in Montreal with the balance working from China.

As part of the current program, Power China Int'l will meet with various engineering firms and constructors in formulating the current EPC Proposal work and as part of a pre-qualification process for future involvement in the project's design and execution. Moreover, Power China Int'l and Oceanic will continue to evolve discussions in respect of future project financing and product off take arrangements during the exclusive period.

Alan Gorman, President and CEO of Oceanic noted: "We are very pleased with the professionalism and expediency visible in Power China Int'l's work progress to date. They have made a significant resource commitment and have left the Company's management and directors with confidence in respect of their resolve regarding the project's further development and the completion of their EPC Proposal as the next step in advancing the Hopes Advance project toward commercial production."

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On behalf of the Board of Directors

Steven Dean, Executive Chairman and Director

About Oceanic:

Oceanic is a feasibility stage company focused on the development of its 100% owned Hopes Advance, Morgan Lake and Roberts Lake iron ore development projects located on the coast in the Labrador Trough in Québec, Canada. The Company is led by a highly experienced management team that has managed, operated developed and/or sold over \$20 bn in assets. In November 2012, the Company published the results of the pre-feasibility study completed in respect of the flagship Hopes Advance project outlining a base case pre-tax NPV of \$5.6 bn over a 30 year mine life, supported by a NI 43-101 proven and probable reserve of approximately 1.36 bn tonnes and a life of mine operating cost of approximately \$30/tonne, making it one of the lowest cost development projects globally. The pre-feasibility study is available for review on the Company's website (www.oceanicironore.com) and SEDAR (www.sedar.com). Further information in respect of the Morgan Lake and Roberts Lake projects, both of which have been explored historically and which have defined historical resources, is also available on the Company's website.

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