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Dear Sir/Madam,

## BALL MILL EN ROUTE TO HIGGINSVILLE

Avoca Resources Limited (**Avoca or the Company**) is pleased to announce that its 1 million tonne per annum ball mill to be used at the soon to be commissioned Higginsville treatment facility is presently en route to the Higginsville Gold Project, located 150km south of Kalgoorlie in Western Australia. The Chinese manufactured ball mill arrived at the Fremantle Port earlier in the week and following normal clearance procedures, has been approved for transport to site (Figure 1). It is anticipated the ball mill will be delivered to site on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April.



**Figure 1:** One of the two ball mill shells being unloaded from a cargo ship prior to its delivery to site.

## Treatment Plant Construction 88% Complete and Remains on Time and on Budget

Construction of the treatment facility is 88% complete and remains on schedule and within the budget of AUD\$49.2M (Figures 2 and 3). Practical completion is scheduled for early June, and will be followed by a detailed commissioning program. High grade feed to the mill remains scheduled for early July.



**Figure 2:** Crushers and fine ore bin assembly at the Higginsville treatment plant.

Surface stock piles of mined high grade ore from Trident are in excess of 50,000 tonnes obtained principally from development headings. With the recent initiation of stoping on the Eastern Zone, it is expected the high grade stockpile will markedly increase ready for treatment in early July. Approximately 40,000 tonnes of mined medium grade ore obtained from development headings has been stockpiled and will be used for commissioning.





**Figure 3:** Leach and elution circuits at the Higginsville treatment plant. Ball mill is to be placed on the concrete footings in the foreground.

Avoca's Managing Director, Mr Rohan Williams noted "we are very pleased the ball mill has arrived and on the way to site. It is the last of the critical path items for the treatment plant and we are confident the plant will be commissioned in June on time and within budget."

Yours faithfully,  
**AVOCA RESOURCES LIMITED**

Rohan Williams  
**Managing Director**