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Federal environmental review for Raven Project

The Raven Underground Coal Project has received notification of a federal environmental review of the project.

This review is required by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act to ensure the project will not result in material adverse environmental effects.

“I am pleased we have received notification of a federal environmental assessment,” said Raven Project CEO John Tapics. “Our goal is to design a socially and environmentally responsible project and this allows us to work through a harmonized process with both provincial and federal levels of government.”

The proposed project has prepared draft Application Information Requirements for the BC Environmental Assessment Office (BCEAO). This document describes the issues the project will address and the information it will include in its provincial application for environmental approval. The public will have the opportunity to comment on the Application Information Requirements later this spring once the BCEAO has released it for public review.

Recent independent coal quality testing confirmed that the coal resource on the Raven property is suitable for steel-making. Independent studies are underway to determine the best coal processing methods to optimize the production of steel-making coal. Other tests are underway that will help the project to minimize or eliminate potential environmental impacts.

“Modern mining design begins with environmental and social considerations,” said Tapics. “Our job is to identify those considerations and then design a project that minimizes the environmental footprint.”

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Mine construction will create jobs for up to 200 people in the local region and mine operation will provide training and employment for up to 200 employees in well-paying, full-time positions. It is expected the mine will create another 300-500 indirect jobs. The mining industry is one of the highest paying industries in British Columbia.

In advance of the provincial environmental process, the Raven Project has held a number of community, local government and First Nations meetings and a public open house to introduce the project and receive feedback. These meetings will continue and more public open houses will be held as part of the provincial and federal environmental reviews.

The proposed Raven Underground Coal Project is a project of the Comox Joint Venture. The joint venture has been created to investigate the possibility of developing the Raven Underground Coal Project on Vancouver Island.

Compliance Coal Corporation, a Canadian resource company with corporate offices located in Vancouver British Columbia, is the majority partner in the Comox Joint Venture.

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