



2 May 2019

NATIONAL COURT OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA APPROVES SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT

Highlands Pacific Limited (ASX/POMSoX: HIG, **Highlands**) is pleased to announce that the National Court of Papua New Guinea has made orders today approving the scheme of arrangement between Highlands and Highlands shareholders not associated with Cobalt 27 Capital Corp. (**Cobalt 27**) (**Scheme**) pursuant to section 250(1) of the *Companies Act 1997* (PNG) (**Court Orders**). The Scheme, if implemented, will result in Cobalt 27 acquiring all the issued share capital of Highlands that it does not already own.

Highlands expects to lodge a certified copy of the Court Orders with the Papua New Guinea Registrar of Companies on Friday, 3 May 2019, at which point the Scheme will be legally effective. If this occurs, Highlands will apply for its shares to be suspended from trading on both the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX**) and Port Moresby Stock Exchange (**POMSoX**) from the close of trade on Friday, 3 May 2019.

If the Scheme becomes legally effective, Highlands shareholders will receive the scheme consideration of A\$0.105 per Highlands share held at 7.00pm (Sydney Time) on the Record Date, expected to be Friday 10 May 2019, rising to A\$0.115 per Highlands share if before 31 December 2019 the closing spot price of nickel¹ exceeds US\$13,220 per tonne over a period of 5 consecutive trading days. The scheme consideration will be paid on the Implementation Date, which is expected to be Friday, 17 May 2019.

SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION LINE

Highlands shareholders who have questions in relation to the Scheme should contact the Highlands Shareholder Information Line on 1300 352 248 (within Australia) or +61 3 9415 4125 (outside Australia), Monday to Friday between 8.30am to 5.00pm (AEST/Port Moresby time).

¹ Determined as the mid-point of the London Metal Exchange (LME) Official Closing Cash Bid and Cash Offer prices.



ASX Code: HIG

POMSoX Code: HIG

Shares on Issue: 1,093 million

Performance Rights: Nil

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About Highlands Pacific Limited

Highlands Pacific is a PNG incorporated and registered mining and exploration company listed on the ASX and POMSoX. Its major assets are interests in the producing Ramu nickel cobalt mine and the Frieda River copper gold project; with exploration in progress in the Star Mountains. Highlands also has exploration tenements at on Normanby Island (Sewa Bay).

Ramu Nickel Cobalt Mine

The producing Ramu nickel cobalt mine is located 75km west of the provincial capital of Madang, PNG. Highlands holds an 8.56% interest in the Ramu project that will increase to 11.3% at no cost to Highlands once Highlands' share of Ramu project debt is repaid to the project manager and joint venture partner Metallurgical Corporation of China (MCC).

Star Mountains Prospects

The Star Mountains exploration tenements are located approximately 20km north of the Ok Tedi mine, in the West Sepik Province, PNG. They lie within the highly prospective New Guinean Orogenic Belt, which hosts the Grasberg, Ok Tedi, Porgera and Hidden Valley mines, as well as the Frieda deposit.

Frieda River Copper/Gold Project

The Frieda River copper gold project is located 175km north-west of the Porgera gold mine and 75km north-east of the Ok Tedi mine. Highlands has a 20% interest in the project and Frieda River Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of PanAust Limited which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of Guangdong Rising Assets Management Co. Ltd.) has 80%.