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MACMAHON SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE CAPITAL RAISING

Australian contracting group, Macmahon Holdings Limited, has finalized a two-tiered capital raising of up to \$27.5 million following shareholder approval at an Extraordinary General Meeting held in Perth today.

Macmahon shareholders overwhelmingly voted in favour of a \$20.0 million share issue and share placement, representing approximately 77 million shares at an issue price of \$0.26 per share.

The Company is also raising additional funds of up to \$7.5 million through a Share Purchase Plan (SPP) which has been strongly supported by shareholders closes on 23 January.

Macmahon has in the past six months won more than \$630 million in new contracts across its mining and civil operations, taking the Company's forward order book to a record \$840 million.

Chief Executive Officer, Mr Nick Bowen, said the capital raisings would provide funds for the necessary capital expenditure for newly secured contracts, to continue to pursue additional new work and to strengthen the Company's balance sheet.

As well as its extensive contract mining and civil operations across all Australian states and territories, Macmahon also has contract operations in New Zealand and Malaysia.

The Company also is a 7.5% shareholder in Asia Pacific Transport (APT), the owner and operator of the Alice Springs to Darwin railway which last week commenced freight operations.

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