

QUEENSLAND COAL TENEMENTS VALUED AT A\$109M JOINT VENTURE WITH SUMITOMO NOT PROCEEDING

Aquila Resources Limited (ASX:AQA the "Company" or "Aquila") refers to its announcement dated 3 April 2012 regarding a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with Sumisho Coal Australia Pty Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Corporation ("Sumitomo"), for the potential formation of a joint venture encompassing Aquila's significant portfolio of 100% owned Queensland-based coal exploration permits excluding the Washpool Hard Coking Coal Project and Talwood Coal Project (the "Tenements").

The MOU provided for the potential acquisition by Sumitomo of between a 20%–50% interest in the Tenements at its election, based on independently determined valuations.

Following two independent valuations, averaging A\$108.8 million on a 100% basis, Sumitomo has elected not to acquire an interest in the Tenements.

Sumitomo's election concludes the arrangement between the parties in relation to the MOU and the Tenements.

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