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QMASTOR and Pit to Port to be installed at BHP Billiton's Mt Arthur Coal Mine

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QMASTOR Limited (ASX:QML)-Australia's leading supplier of bulk materials management information systems - announced today that it has signed a five year contract with BHP Billiton for the installation and ongoing support of a Product Inventory Management System (PIMS) at BHP Billiton's Mt Arthur Coal.

Mt Arthur Coal, a new mine development adjacent to Bayswater Colliery is located in the upper Hunter Valley region of New South Wales. The two resources will be mined as one large, flexible operation expanding production from approximately 6.3 million tonnes of coal per year to 14.5 million tonnes within the next three years, making it BHP Billiton's largest energy coal operation in Australia. At full production, Mt Arthur Coal will rank as one of the largest coal mines in Australia.

The Product Inventory Management System to be installed on site incorporates QMASTOR® and Pit to Port® technologies that will provide tracking, modelling and optimisation of coal quality, quantity and value through the complex stockpiling and coal handling operations on site. In addition to the management of domestic coal supply to Macquarie Generation, the system will also provide enhanced management of the export coal supply chain from pit to port.

Managing director of QMASTOR Limited, Trent Bagnall, said: "This is a an exciting project for QMASTOR Limited. Mt Arthur Coal forms a key component of BHP Billiton's thermal coal strategy, designed to expand production from high margin Australian resources to meet growing regional demand for steaming coal. This is a significant long-term contract for QMASTOR Limited providing for substantial revenues for the full five years". Mr Bagnall added "QMASTOR Limited now provides systems that manage all of BHP Billiton's NSW coal production. This significant installation comes on the back of QMASTOR Limited's success at BHP Billiton's Illawarra coal operations".

About Mt Arthur Coal:

As part of BHP Billiton's Hunter Valley Energy Coal business, Mount Arthur Coal contains estimated coal resources of 812 million tonnes and has a life of at least 20 years. The mine services clients in Australia, Japan, Korea and Taiwan.

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About QMASTOR Ltd:

QMASTOR Limited provides a suite of bulk material management systems that allows mining, port, power generation and agricultural companies to maximise their profitability through the efficient use of their resources. QMASTOR systems are integrated into the day-to-day running of the operation, providing accurate control over product quality and tonnage, from the mine/source through to the customer.

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