



Market Release

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Ivanhoe Australia Clarification

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA – Ivanhoe Australia Limited (IVA:ASX),(IVA:TSX). The Australian Financial Review today reported an article entitled “Ivanhoe said to be mulling offer for Exco Resources”.

Ivanhoe Australia was requested by the ASX to clarify speculation in this article that it is currently considering a takeover offer for Exco Resources Limited (Exco).

Ivanhoe confirms that it is not considering a takeover offer for Exco. Ivanhoe is, however, focused on ensuring that all Exco shareholders receive an appropriate return on their investment in Exco.

For more information regarding Ivanhoe Australia, please visit the company website: www.ivanhoeaustralia.com.

Ivanhoe Mines (IVN: TSX, NYSE, NASDAQ) is Ivanhoe Australia’s largest shareholder and currently owns, directly and indirectly, approximately 62% of Ivanhoe Australia’s issued and outstanding shares.

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Forward-looking statements

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All such forward-looking information and statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by Ivanhoe Australia's management in light of their experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors management believes are appropriate in the circumstances. These statements, however, are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking information or statements. The reader is cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking information or statements.