



NEWS RELEASE

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New app and online portal to monitor Mount Isa's air quality

Mount Isa Mines has created two new industry-leading online tools to provide open and transparent information on Mount Isa Mines' air quality and sulphur dioxide management activities.

The AQMI smartphone app (Air Quality Mount Isa) presents data from Mount Isa Mines' air quality monitoring systems for greater community awareness of Mount Isa's air quality and weather conditions.

Mount Isa Mines has also launched a new AQMI (Air Quality in Mount Isa) online portal via the Mount Isa Mines website www.mountisamines.com.au which provides sulphur dioxide data which is automatically uploaded every hour from Mount Isa's comprehensive air quality monitoring network.

The AQMI online portal also provides details about air quality improvement initiatives being rolled out as part of Mount Isa Mines' Transitional Environmental Program, amended Environmental Authority, as well as information on the company's sulphur dioxide management practices and procedures.

The launch of these online tools represents an industry-leading step in terms of providing free and transparent access to information on air quality.

They are designed to complement the existing air quality management systems, managed under the Queensland environmental regulatory regime, to minimise the impacts of its operations on the Mount Isa community.

Maryann Wipaki, HSEC Manager for Glencore's North Queensland Operations says these new online tools complement the air quality management systems already in place and will help Mount Isa Mines to maintain open communication on its air quality management performance with the people of Mount Isa.

"The AQMI app and online portal are new and exciting online tools for our community to become more familiar with our comprehensive air quality monitoring network," says Ms Wipaki.

"Mount Isa has one of the most intensive air quality monitoring networks of any city in Australia. Mount Isa Mines monitors air quality in Mount Isa 24 hours a day, seven days a week and works to minimise sulphur dioxide impacts on the community."

"Our Air Quality Control works both proactively, through daily forecasts and reports, and reactively, by monitoring and responding to real-time air quality data, to minimise impacts to our community and ensure compliance with our regulatory limits."

"If unfavourable weather patterns are predicted by our Air Quality Control we will reduce or shut down our operations until conditions improve."

“Using these new tools, the Mount Isa community can be better aware of air quality.”

“In addition to this rigorous internal monitoring, the State Government’s Department of Environmental and Heritage Protection (DEHP) has independent access to all of Mount Isa’s air quality monitoring network data and maintains their own air quality monitoring equipment in the Mount Isa community.”

“We are confident the regulatory conditions under our amended Environmental Authority meet the expectations of our community and stakeholders, as well as aligning with our strong values of environmental performance,” Ms Wipaki says.

From 2012 to 2017 Mount Isa Mines has invested greater than \$50 million in environmental improvements under our Environmental Authority (EA).

Mount Isa Mines is encouraging the Mount Isa community to browse the online portal at www.mountisamines.com.au and to use their smartphone or tablet to navigate to the Apple App Store or Google Play, then search for AQMI to download the app. The app can also be found under the ‘weather’ or ‘health and fitness’ categories in the App Store and Google Play.

More information is available at www.mountisamines.com.au or contact our 24 hour Community Feedback Hotline on 1800 982 982.

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About Mount Isa Mines

Mount Isa Mines operates two separate mining and processing streams, copper and zinc-lead-silver, to deliver natural resources that have enduring roles in our society. The site hosts the world's largest zinc resource base, as well as the biggest network of underground mine development in the world.

The site includes two copper underground mines, one zinc underground mine and two zinc open cut mines; the copper concentrator and smelter, as well as the zinc-lead concentrator, lead smelter and zinc filter plant. Together, these represent one of Australia's largest industrial complexes.

As well as the Australian market, our products are exported to countries throughout Asia, Europe and the UK, contributing billions of dollars to the Australian economy every year. We provide work for almost 5,000 employees and contractors and are dedicated to supporting local people, local businesses, and creating strong links between our operations and the city of Mount Isa.