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### **Excavation of Test Pit Material**

**Astron Corporation Limited (ASX:ATR)** (“Astron” or “Company”) through its subsidiary Donald Mineral Sands Pty Ltd (“DMS”), has completed its second extraction of Run of Mine Material.

As part of the DMS Project, significant tests were carried out under a separate work plan permit to excavate an ore sample and conduct selective geotechnical and metallurgical tests within the previous test pit vicinity.

Pit wall stability of material in dry and wet zones, overburden and ore were completed during a 1,000t ore sample excavation program. Further assessments will be conducted in due course in material placement, rehabilitation and post back-fill environmental condition monitoring.

This test work is an important step in progressing the DMS Project final submission and approval of the final Work Plan.

The test pit Run of Mine (ROM) material will be refined into final products for the development of marketing samples and long term global off take agreements.



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## **About Astron**

Astron's main focus is developing its two wholly owned mineral sands projects, the Donald Project in Australia and the Niafarang project in Senegal.

The Donald project is one of the largest known zircon and titanium resources in the world. The project has significant potential for long term supply into global markets with its final products while creating sustainable growth and regional development in Victoria Australia.

The Niafarang project in Senegal, West Africa, is a high-grade coastal mineral sands deposit, to be exploited using simple dredge mining and processing methodology.

Astron continues to build on its unique 25 year track record in China as a Chinese-Australian company in developing, selling and marketing zirconium and titanium products.

### **CAUTIONARY STATEMENT**

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