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Please find attached media release in relation to African Underground Mining Services (AUMS), a 50:50 joint venture between Ausdrill Limited (ASX: ASL) and Barmenco Holdings Limited ("Barmenco"), announcing the award of a US\$375 million underground mining services contract at AngloGold Ashanti's Obuasi project in Ghana.

About Ausdrill

Ausdrill (ASX: ASL) is a diversified mining services company. Since its formation in Kalgoorlie in 1987, Ausdrill has grown significantly and now has operations across Australia, Africa and the United Kingdom. Ausdrill is a leader in providing services in contract mining, grade control, drill & blast, exploration, mineral analysis, procurement and logistics. The Ausdrill Group employs over 5,000 staff worldwide.

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African Underground Mining Services (AUMS), a 50:50 joint venture between Ausdrill Limited (ASX: ASL) and Barmenco Holdings Pty Limited ("Barmenco"), is pleased to announce the award of a US\$375 million underground mining services contract at AngloGold Ashanti's Obuasi project in Ghana.

The five-year contract was awarded to Underground Mining Alliance Limited ("UMA"), a 70/30 joint venture between AUMS and Rocksure International, a Ghanaian mining contractor.

Under the contract, UMA will provide a full suite of underground mining services at Obuasi, with major capital equipment supplied by AngloGold Ashanti. Works are expected to commence in the first quarter of CY2019. Approximately 550 people will be employed during the project term. The workforce will be dominantly Ghanaian with some expatriates providing training and development and specialist skills.

Blair Sessions, AUMS Chief Operating Officer, said: "The Obuasi mine is very important to Ghana and we are delighted to have secured this contract with our joint venture partner, Rocksure International. We are pleased to be further extending our relationship with AngloGold Ashanti and look forward to working closely with the client, Rocksure, and the local community as we deliver on this project using modern and efficient mining methods, supporting local suppliers and providing employment and training opportunities to Ghanaians."

Kwasi Osei Ofori, Rocksure Chief Executive Officer, said: "We are pleased to be teaming with AUMS at this major project, which adds to the suite of contract mining work we have been performing in Ghana and Mali over the past decade. This joint venture will allow Rocksure and its employees to gain new skills and knowledge in underground mining from world leading mining services companies, Barmenco and Ausdrill."

Graham Ehm, AngloGold Ashanti Executive Vice President – Group Planning and Technical, said: "Obuasi is an important investment in Ghana and we have worked hard with the Government of Ghana to progress the redevelopment of the mine as a modern operation. Obuasi is a key asset in AGA's portfolio and to the Ghanaian mining industry. The mine will benefit many stakeholders for at least two decades. This contract award is a major milestone towards recommencing production at Obuasi and delivering on outcomes that will benefit the national, regional, and local economies."

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Since commencing operations in Ghana eight years ago, AUMS has trained over 1,200 Ghanaians through a range of mining, engineering, and apprenticeship programs. In addition, AUMS's joint venture owner, Ausdrill, has a 27-year history in Ghana through its subsidiary African Mining Services (AMS), training approximately 20,000 Ghanaians over this period.

Combined, AUMS and AMS currently employ more than 1,800 people in Ghana across five projects (one AUMS, four AMS), of which 95 per cent are Ghanaians. The two businesses have generated approximately A\$2.8 billion of revenue in Ghana, with more than 78 per cent of profits reinvested into the country.

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About Rocksure International

Rocksure International is a registered private limited liability company in Ghana with 100% Ghanaian ownership. It was incorporated in March 2009 with the business objective to provide heavy equipment rentals and general mining services in country and the wider West African sub-region. It is headquartered in Ghana, where the focus of its operations and activities are.

The company since inception has successfully executed various surface mining services contracts with reputable Mining companies such as Golden Star Resources (both Wassa & Bogoso-Prestea Mines) in Ghana; Adamus Resources (subsequently Endeavour Mines) also in Ghana; Avion Gold Corporation's Segala Mine in Mali; and Perseus Mining Ghana limited, amongst others.

Further information can be found at rocksureintl.com

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About Barmenco

Barmenco is an international leader in hard rock underground mining, setting industry benchmarks in safety, service and knowledge. Focused on delivering excellence in underground contract mining services and backed by robust support services and the largest single company owned fleet of underground mechanised equipment in the world, Barmenco applies proven methods to deliver a strong return on investment. Barmenco's services include jumbo development, production mining, diamond drilling and shotcreting.

In August 2018, Barmenco announced that it had entered into an agreement to be acquired by ASX-listed diversified mining services company, Ausdrill Limited (ASX: ASL), which will create Australia's second largest mining services company. The two businesses are a great fit, providing complementary services to mine owners and having a strong cultural alignment after working together for more than a decade with AUMS. The proposed acquisition is subject to a number of conditions precedent, including Ausdrill shareholder approval which was obtained at its 2018 Annual General Meeting held on 25 October 2018.

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