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Hearing Date for Environment Court

Bathurst Resources Limited (ASX & NZX: BTU) is pleased to advise that the High Court of New Zealand has announced the dates for both appeal hearings in relation to the granting of the Escarpment Mine Permit.

The two appeals by the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society New Zealand Incorporated (Forest and Bird) against the interlocutory decision of the relevance of the Sullivan permit and the interim decision to grant Resource Consent for the Escarpment Project will be heard in the High Court of New Zealand on 27, 28 and 30 May 2013.

Justice Fogarty of the High Court has requested that submissions from Forest and Bird be filed by 20 May and from Buller Coal Limited by 24 May.

BTU Managing Director Hamish Bohannon said he was encouraged by the timing. "Clearly the Court has acknowledged that these matters are of some urgency and we appreciate the priority it has placed on having these appeals heard".

Earlier this month the Environment Court announced the hearing date for the interim decision on the Escarpment Project as 11 and 12 June 2013.

On behalf of Bathurst Resources Limited

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hamish Bohannon', written over a light grey circular background.

Hamish Bohannon
Managing Director

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