

MEDIA STATEMENT

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KMS ships one millionth tonne of ilmenite from Thunderbird

- Kimberley Mineral Sands (KMS) has shipped its one millionth tonne of ilmenite from the Port of Broome.
- The shipment marks another major milestone in Thunderbird's operational journey.

Kimberley Mineral Sands recently shipped its one millionth tonne of ilmenite from the Port of Broome, marking another significant project milestone at Thunderbird Operations.

Michael Rose, Chief Operating Officer, Kimberley Mineral Sands, said that the shipment marked another proud moment for the Thunderbird team and logistics contractors.

"After shipping our one millionth tonne of mineral sand in June, this latest production milestone of one million tonnes of ilmenite demonstrates our continued progress at Thunderbird.

"We're proud of the collaborative effort that continues to drive this project, and grateful for the support we've received from our stakeholders and the broader community," Mr Rose said.

Ilmenite is the primary source of titanium dioxide, a white pigment that provides brightness and opacity in paints, coatings, inks, plastics and paper. It is also processed into titanium metal for high-strength, corrosion-resistant alloys used across aerospace and medical industries, and supports foundry and welding applications.

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ABOUT KIMBERLEY MINERAL SANDS:

Kimberley Mineral Sands Pty Ltd (KMS) operates the Thunderbird Mineral Sands Project (Thunderbird) which is located mid-way between Derby and Broome, in the Kimberley region of Western Australia.

Thunderbird is one of the largest and highest-grade mineral sands deposits in the world and contains valuable heavy minerals including ilmenite, zircon, leucoxene, and rutile, which are extracted and exported via the Port of Broome.

The KMS main office is based in Broome and is focused on delivering economic and employment growth for the Kimberley and its communities.

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Caption: A rotainer of ilmenite being loaded onto a bulk carrier at the Port of Broome.

High resolution images available on request.