



HILL END GOLD LIMITED

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Hill End plant upgrade completed

25 May 2009

ASX Code : HEG, HEGOB

Over this past week the Hill End gravity gold processing plant has been upgraded to increase throughput and to reduce downtime, while maintaining gold recovery at an excellent 97% with no change to the process design.

In addition to the many improvements made to increase the efficiency of material transfer, to reduce wear and to increase availability throughout the plant, the significant changes made over the past week include:

- Installation of a larger refurbished Goodwin jaw crusher, which replaces the worn generic Chinese unit;
- Modification of the ball mill from a grate discharge design to an overflow discharge design, which increases the effective grinding length by 25%;
- Ball mill reline and conversion from worn steel wave liners to new rubber lifter liners to increase grinding efficiency and reduce wear;
- Installation of a fine material handling pump in the plant water recycling system to improve water clarity and increase recycle water availability;
- Installation of various improvements in pump speed control, hopper replacement, conveyor belt replacement, and a belt weightometer.

The maintenance and upgrades were carried out according to plan in a timely and effective manner by Hill End Gold personnel. The installations will be optimised over the current week and a moderate uplift in plant throughput capacity is anticipated.

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