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New MD & CEO on Priorities and Vision

新任管理董事和首席执行官关于工作重点和目标展望

Open Briefing with MD & CEO Steve Ward

新任管理董事和首席执行官Steve Ward的公开情况介绍会



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In this Open Briefing®, MD & CEO Steve Ward discusses

在此公开情况介绍会中，管理董事、首席执行官Steve Ward将会讨论

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Arafura Resources Limited (ASX: ARU) recently appointed you as Arafura's new MD & CEO effective from 1 January 2010. What attracted you to the role?

Arafura 资源有限公司 (澳大利亚证券交易所代码 : ARU) 于 2010 年 1 月 1 日任命您作为新任的管理董事和首席执行官。这个职位对您最大的吸引力是什么？

MD & CEO Steve Ward

Steve 回答 :

First of all I would like to say it is very much an honour and a privilege to become the leader of Arafura and I thank the Board for its confidence in me.

首先我想要说能够成为 Arafura 的领头人我感到十分光荣和荣幸，我很感谢董事会对我的信任。

In terms of what attracted me to the role I can confidently state that quite simply, the business fundamentals are superb and the company is at an exciting stage in its development. Over the past two and half years, I have gained a thorough understanding of Arafura and the rare earths market as a non executive member of Arafura's Board.

就这个职位什么地方吸引我而言，我可以简单且自信地说，业务基础是一流的，公司也处于发展中一个令人兴奋的阶段。在过去的两年半中，作为 Arafura 董事会的一个非执行董事，我对 Arafura 和稀土市场有了一个透彻的了解。

There is certainly growing market awareness of the significance of rare earths for a variety of applications, particularly in the increasingly important area of clean energy.

对于稀土在各方面应用的重要性，市场意识越来越强烈，尤其是在不断增长的清洁能源领域中，稀土也发挥着重要作用。

It now is widely recognised that there will be a significant supply shortfall for rare earths in the near term and Arafura has one of the few major rare earths deposits in the world.

现在广泛认为，在近期内将会出现显著的稀土供应短缺，而 Arafura 拥有世界上少数大型稀土矿床之一。

Arafura's core asset is the 100 per cent owned Nolans' Rare Earth-Phosphate-Uranium Project in Australia's Northern Territory. The project is in transition from exploration to production and I was attracted by the opportunity to apply my knowledge and experience to delivering a world-class project in a very exciting commodity market.

Arafura 的核心资产就是 100%拥有位于澳大利亚北领地的诺兰稀土 - 磷酸盐 - 铀项目。该项目正处于从勘探向生产的过渡期中，吸引我的正是这个可以运用我的知识和经验将一个世界级项目传送到一个令人兴奋的商品市场中的机会。

Nolans is a very valuable, long life and easy to exploit ore body – one which any major resources company would be proud to have.

诺兰是一个非常有价值的，经久且易开采的矿体——任何一个大型资源公司都会以拥有它为骄傲。

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What experience and expertise do you bring to the role at Arafura?

您将会给Arafura带来什么经验和专业技能？

MD & CEO Steve Ward

Steve回答：

I have technical (BsC Hons and PhD in Chemistry) qualifications and have worked for over 30 years in the chemicals, resources and mining industry in a variety of Board and senior executive roles. This has included substantial successful development and start up experience including a major chemical plant in Malaysia which contained much new novel technology.

我有相关技术资格（化学专业的学士学位和博士学位），而且我在化学、资源和矿业开发领域工作了 30 多年，担任各种董事会和高级管理职务。这包含了成功的发展和创业经验，包括一个在马来西亚的拥有大量新技术的大型化工厂。

My appointment marks the next phase of Arafura's evolution – from explorer to producer. Given Arafura's business model of mining and chemical processing and this next phase for the company, I believe my educational background and business experience is a great match for what is now required in terms of leading the company going forward.

我的任命标志着 Arafura 发展的下一个阶段——从勘探者到生产者。鉴于 Arafura 采矿和化学加工的商业模式以及公司的下一阶段发展，我相信我的教育背景和商业经验能够很好地吻合现阶段领导公司向前发展的需要。

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What do you see as Arafura's priorities for 2010?

您认为 Arafura2010 年的工作重点是什么？

MD & CEO Steve Ward

Steve回答：

Along with many other companies Arafura's program was impacted in 2009 by the global economic crisis. We used this period deliberately to optimise our technology and plant design. This work will create additional future value by anticipated savings in capital expenditure and operating costs.

与许多其它公司一样，Arafura 的计划在 2009 年被世界金融危机所影响。我们利用这段时间刻意地优化我们的技术和工厂设计。这项工作通过资本支出和运营成本中的预期储蓄未来将会产生额外的价值。

We will now proceed at full pace in 2010 with our Nolans Project. We have a comprehensive range of activities on our agenda to complete to meet our project development timeline.

从现在开始我们在 2010 年将与诺兰项目一起全力迈进。在我们的日程中有一个全面的生产规模要完成，以配合我们项目开发的时间表。

The key priorities in 2010 are completion of the Nolans Project Bankable Feasibility Study and advancing arrangements for project financing.

2010 年的关键重点是完成诺兰项目的银行可研，推进项目融资安排。

This will include completion of the mine design and site plan and the chemical plant design and location study. Concurrent with this activity, we will progress work on the environmental impact studies for the project.

这将包括完成矿井设计，工厂选址计划，化工厂设计和选址研究。与此并行的是，我们将会继续关于该项目对环境影响的研究工作。

Arafura has an experienced and dedicated management team and my experience as a non executive director of the Company means I have 'hit the ground running' with management and staff – to ensure we achieve our development timetable and deliver production in 2013, or earlier if we can identify the way to accelerate our program.

Arafura 有一支经验丰富的专业管理团队，而且我作为公司一个非执行董事的经验意味着我和管理团队及全体工作人员已经“旗开得胜”了——以确保实现我们的发展时间表，并于 2013 年交付生产，当然，如果我们能够找到加快我们计划的方法，或许能更早。

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When will you meet Arafura's shareholders?

您将在什么时候会见 Arafura 的股东？

MD & CEO Steve Ward

Steve 回答：

I recognise that we need to communicate our plans and progress regularly, fully and well. This is the start of our program in 2010 and we will use these briefings and other means to tell our story and to reach out to our shareholders and stakeholders in a comprehensive way. 我知道我们需要定期、全面和良好地交流我们的计划和进展。这是 2010 年我们计划的开始，我们将利用这些情况介绍和其他手段来介绍相关情况，与我们的股东和利益相关者进行接触。

As a member of the Board, I have had the opportunity to meet with a number of our shareholders. The company is fortunate that it has very supportive, longstanding (and might I add patient) shareholders who show an active interest in their investment.

作为董事会的一员，我曾经与一些股东见过面。公司很幸运拥有长期支持（并且耐心的）它的，对自己的投资积极关注的股东们。

I am planning to meet our shareholders and our other supportive stakeholders including the local community at Nolans in the very near future and am looking forward to this opportunity.

我正在计划在不久的将来会见我们的股东和其他支持我们的利益相关者，包括诺兰当地政府，我很期待这次机会。

Our number one priority as a Company remains the creation of shareholder value in a sustainable way and to be able to reward our shareholders as soon as possible.

作为一个公司，我们的首要工作重点依然是以可持续的方式创造股东价值，以便能够尽快回报我们的股东。

We have a great business model and we now need to create value from Nolans for the benefit of our shareholders.

我们有一个优秀的商业模式，现在我们需要为了我们股东的利益从诺兰项目中创造价值。

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How would you describe your management style?

您怎样形容您的管理风格？

MD & CEO Steve Ward

Steve回答：

I believe I am very 'hands-on' and results oriented with a track record of delivering outcomes. I enjoy meeting and working with people.

我相信我是“亲自实践型”的和以成果为导向并在意过程领导者。我很享受与别人一起讨论和工作。

I believe everyone will see a very determined and focused team effort from Arafura. We will ensure everyone is kept fully up to date with our progress.

我相信每个人都会看见来自 Arafura 的坚定专注的团队努力。我们将保证每个人都会完全跟上我们的最新进展。

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It is early days, but what is your longer term vision for Arafura?

现在尚处于早期，但是您对 Arafura 的长远发展目标是什么？

MD & CEO Steve Ward

Steve回答：

Our aim is to be the pre-eminent rare earths supplier with a growth plan into other resources areas.

我们的目标是成为优秀的稀土供应商，并有计划的进入其他资源领域。

I see Arafura becoming a firmly established ASX 200 company delivering returns substantially higher than the cost of capital and rewarding our shareholders with well above average returns on their investments.

我知道 Arafura 正在成为一个地位稳固的澳大利亚证券交易所 200 强的公司，提供的回报远远高于资金成本，我们的股东回报将会远高于平均的投资回报，

I believe our Nolans Project and business fundamentals will enable us to do this.

我相信我们的诺兰项目和业务基础会将让我们实现这个目标。

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Thank you Steve

谢谢，Steve。

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