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## Watershed moment for the NSW minerals industry

The Association of Mining and Exploration Companies (AMEC) welcomes another new mine approval in New South Wales - the Bowdens Silver project in the Mudgee area of the Central West.

“This is a watershed moment for the NSW minerals industry. The approval of Bowdens Silver Project just days after the Regis Resources’ McPhillamys Gold Project is a strong signal that NSW is open for business for the minerals industry,” said Warren Pearce, AMEC Chief Executive Officer.

“Both new mines have only been approved after many years of geological research and investigation, as well as extensive environmental and social impact assessment and independent assessment.”

“These projects demonstrate the deep rich natural mineral wealth within NSW and the determination that explorers and miners have to maximise the resource potential of NSW for significant public benefit.”

“These two new mines will create hundreds of local and regional jobs and bring millions of dollars of investment into the state.”

“The McPhillamys Gold Project and Bowdens Silver Project will provide an important new supply of gold, silver and other minerals that are in high demand around the world.”

“These minerals will be extracted with worldclass compliance to leading environmental and social standards. Stringent compliance and standards are of growing importance to industry, governments, investors and the wider community.”

“We congratulate the dedication and perseverance of the teams involved to bring forward these significant developments for NSW.”

“AMEC looks forward to further opportunities to work with the minerals industry, the NSW Government and the broader community, to support the growing minerals industry in NSW,” said Mr Pearce.

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