



First production blast since 2015 at Firefinch's Super Pit

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Firefinch has announced that the first production blast since March 2015 took place on Friday 2nd July 2021. Mining at Morila Pit 5 commenced in early May, and the initial phases of mining were undertaken with free dig material.

Mining has now progressed to deeper benches of ore at Pit 5. This has permitted access to fresh rock which will generate processing optionality with the presentation of fresh, transitional and oxide ores, consistent with the historical mining environment at Morila.

Malian owned and operated contractor EGTF has been mining Morila Pit 5, and EGTF has also performed the recent drill and blast activities. All work has been performed injury free, and material movement is progressing on schedule. Pleasingly, both reconciled recovery and grade through the plant have been above forecast.

The Morila site team are now undertaking the full suite of mine operations activities safely, efficiently and effectively at Pit 5, in advance of commencing operations at additional satellite pits in August 2021, and the Morila Super Pit.

Firefinch MD, Michael Anderson, comments:

“Malian owned and operated contractor EGTF have performed very well in delivering the mine production schedule for Morila Pit 5 since May 2021. To date, the free dig material mined has contributed to our recently announced strong June 2021 production performance. The recent drill and blast represent another significant milestone as we progress towards delivering on Morila’s obvious potential, and we are pleased to be doing this work safely and efficiency, with great Malian capability.”

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