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Update regarding operational incident at TiZir in Norway on 15 August 2016

Reference is made to the announcements dated August 16<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2016 regarding the incident that occurred at the *TiZir Titanium and Iron* ilmenite upgrading facility ('TTI') in Tyssedal, Norway.

Taking into account observations made during the repair and heating period carried out since 22 September the decision has been made to proceed to relining. The furnace should restart mid-January 2017 with a ramp up to previous production level over the ensuing four weeks.

Discussions between TTI and its insurance company about the indemnification of property damage as well as of business interruption are progressing.

The Group will continue to update the market as information becomes available.

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The Group employs approximately 14,000 people in 21 countries.

## **ABOUT TiZir**

TiZir Limited is a 50/50 joint-venture between ERAMET and Mineral Deposits Limited (Australia). TiZir Limited owns 90% of the *Grande Côte Operations* Mineral Sands deposit in Senegal, and 100% of the ilmenite upgrading facility *TiZir Titanium & Iron*, in Tyssedal, Norway.

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