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The Esperance Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ECCI) would like to welcome and offer our thanks to Independence Group NL (IGO) who have joined the ECCI for a three-year term as a Gold Sponsor from December 2016. Included here for you is a brief overview of IGO and details of their Corporate Giving which is aimed at enhancing community wellbeing.

IGO is an ASX listed, diversified mining, development and exploration company that has developed the world class Nova Project located near Norseman. IGO produce gold, nickel, copper, zinc and silver from three other mining operations in Western Australia.

IGO have a unique platform for growth with a plan to commence delivery of the first concentrate from the Nova Project in December 2016. IGO are also planning to transform their Tropicana Gold Mine through exploration and a study work program that is currently underway.

Along with a quality suite of assets, IGO have the people and culture that are focused on optimising and maximising their business. This is referred to as 'The IGO Way'. In line with IGO's Values and their Community Policy, they have established a Corporate Giving Fund.

The nature of IGO's Corporate Giving takes two general forms, being cash and in-kind donations. Cash donations take the form of either direct donations or an employee donation-matching scheme, which includes both dollar-for-dollar and time-dollar equivalents. In-kind donations generally include the donation of IGO resources or assets.

IGO's Corporate Giving is focused on supporting schools, charities and other not-for-profit organisations that improve the quality of life of their beneficiaries in IGO's host communities, which includes towns in close proximity to IGO operating mines and major exploration projects. Eligible project examples include: supporting and improving the education of children; supporting and improving the health and well-being of community members; enhancing, protecting or rehabilitating the local environment.

A Corporate Giving Application Form can be found on the IGO website at: http://www.igo.com.au/irm/content/sustainability-reporting-and-policies.aspx?RID=441

All applications are reviewed by the IGO Corporate Giving Committee which is made up of senior members of the IGO senior management team. Applications are considered in regards to the criteria outlined in the IGO Corporate Giving Standard (this document is referred to as Group Community Standard 1 – Corporate Giving) and can be found on the IGO website at <a href="www.igo.com.au">www.igo.com.au</a>

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