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Dear Sir

CLARIFICATION

On 3 May 2005 in the Business Markets Section of the West Australian it was reported that AusMines axed its contract miner, Barmenco, in the December quarter because of poor performance results. Australian Mines (AusMines) regrets its relationship with Barmenco was reported in this way.

Australian Mines wishes to clarify that Barmenco was not "axed" but rather Barmenco's engagement as contractor was terminated by mutual agreement as a result of an AusMines decision to be an owner miner and not as result of poor performance.

Yours faithfully
Australian Mines Limited

Brett Young
Company Secretary