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### **MSP ACHIEVES PRACTICAL COMPLETION AT CGP2 PROJECT**

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MSP Engineering is pleased to announce a major milestone for its key project for Talison Lithium – the achievement of practical completion on CGP2, the expanded Chemical Grade Processing plant at Talison’s Greenbushes mine site in the south west of Western Australia.

The new processing plant is the world’s largest and most technically advanced lithium oxide-in-concentrate production facility, and will process spodumene from the Greenbushes mine, about 240km south of Perth.

The end product, a 6% lithium oxide powder, is a key material in the production of lithium batteries, and will be used as a feedstock for Tianqi Lithium Australia’s Kwinana lithium hydroxide plant, also being built by MSP.

Practical completion means that Talison now takes charge of the whole plant, and moves into full commissioning ramp-up. CGP2 will have an annual throughput of 2.4 million tonnes of ore.

“We are extremely proud to have been involved in this world-leading project,” said Andrew Rowe, MSP’s Chief Executive Officer.

“MSP has a long history of working with Talison, having designed and built the mine’s original chemical grade plant, and we are pleased to have delivered another value-adding asset to Talison’s growing operation at Greenbushes.”

“My thanks go to the whole project team, past and present, from those involved in the early study work, engineering and design, through to the construction and project delivery teams.”

CGP2 has been a remarkable joint effort across industry, with many contractors contributing to the landmark project, and the achievement of an outstanding local content result of more than 80 per cent. A staged handover has meant that the facility is now ready to move into production.

“Since commissioning the main crusher eight weeks ago, the plant has been consistently operating above nameplate capacity, which is testament to the design and construction quality of the facility,” said Andrew.

MSP has designed and built a number of world-class lithium industry processing facilities in WA, including the Greenbushes work for Talison, and the \$700m lithium hydroxide production facility for Tianqi Lithium Australia at Kwinana.

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