

COLDry Fertiliser Project Receives EPA Approval

Highlights:

- **EPA pilot licence (G02 – Coal Processing Approval) granted** to ECT for COLDry Fertiliser Project
- Major regulatory milestone for Zero Quest joint venture between ECT and ESG Agriculture
- The next regulatory milestone is local government planning approvals, expected in coming weeks

Environmental Clean Technologies Limited (ASX: ECT) (“**ECT**” or “**Company**”) advises that the Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) has granted pilot project licence number PPL000300015 for the COLDry Fertiliser Project at Bacchus Marsh.

Issued under section 78(1)(a) of the *Environment Protection Act 2017*, the licence authorises the staged construction and operation of a pilot-scale facility to produce a low-emission, lignite-based fertiliser. Activities covered include the low-temperature co-drying of brown coal and urea blends, and the subsequent production of fertiliser granules from COLDry pellets.

ECT CEO John Tranfield commented:

“The pilot project licence is a key milestone in the progress of the COLDry Fertiliser Project. This approval represents 16 months of detailed and dedicated work by our team, marking a significant step forward for the Zero Quest joint venture.”

ECT will provide further updates as the project advances toward financial close and construction commencement.

About the COLDry Fertiliser Project

Zero Quest Pty Ltd, a joint venture between ECT and ESG Agriculture, is developing the COLDry Fertiliser Project to offer a sustainable and cost-effective alternative to conventional nitrogen fertilisers. Using ECT’s proprietary COLDry technology, the process blends lignite with nitrogen-based inputs to improve nutrient retention, reduce nitrogen loss, and limit runoff into waterways, enhancing both productivity and environmental performance.

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Date	Title
9 April 2025	Project Presentation – COLDry Fertiliser
11 March 2025	COLDry Fertiliser Trials Advance – Test Facility Complete
17 December 2024	COLDry Fertiliser JV Seed Funding & Working Capital Secured
21 October 2024	Project Update
20 September 2024	Project Update
15 July	ECT and ESG Agriculture sign Join Venture HOA
4 April 2024	ECT signs MOU with Soil Health Solutions Provider

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