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### Riversdale Mining and Tata Steel appoint Sedgman for Benga Coal Project in Mozambique

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- **Design and Implementation Agreement to cover Coal Handling and Preparation Plant for Benga Coal Project**
- **Initial facility to scale up from 800 tph to 3,000 tph**

Sydney 24 Sept 2008: Riversdale Mining Limited (ASX: RIV) and its partner Tata Steel Limited are pleased to advise that they have appointed Sedgman Limited (ASX: SDM) to undertake a Design and Implementation Agreement for a coal handling and preparation plant (CHPP) at the Benga Coal Project in Mozambique.

The decision to commission Sedgman followed a competitive tender process and requires Sedgman to file a final Design and Implementation Agreement and project definition report with Riversdale Mining and Tata Steel by the end of December 2008. The Design and Implementation Agreement will address all coal handling infrastructure requirements for the initial 800 tph facility and the expansion of the total plant to 3,000 tph through independent facilities. This will include all materials, plant and equipment associated with the construction of the new facilities.

Riversdale Mining and Tata Steel intend building an initial facility in 2009 to support the Companies' hard coking and thermal coking coal project, with a view to scaling the facility up to handle up to 3,000 tph by 2012.

Sedgman is a leading provider of mineral processing solutions to the global resources industry. The company is widely recognised as a market leader in the design, construction and operation of CHPPs and has gained international recognition for its coal processing and materials handling technologies.

The Executive Chairman of Riversdale Mining, Mr Michael O'Keeffe, said: "We are planning to produce hard coking and thermal coal at the Benga Coal Project by 2010. The appointment of Sedgman and planning for the coal handling and preparation plant is another important step for Riversdale Mining and Tata Steel and reaffirms the commitment we have given to the government in Mozambique".

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The appointment of Sedgman is the first major project commitment by Riversdale Mining and Tata Steel following the lodgement of a Mining Study with the Mozambique government during August 2008. The Mining Study anticipates development of a 20 Million tonnes (Run of Mine) per annum coal mine at Benga in the Moatize area, with a direct capital investment of more than US\$ 800 million estimated for the start-up.

Commenting on the appointment, the Chief Operating Officer of Sedgman Coal, Mr. Steve van Barneveld, said: "We are very pleased that Sedgman has been selected by Riversdale Mining and Tata Steel to assist in the design and implementation aspects of the Benga Project in Mozambique. We view this as a very exciting project and both our Chairman and CEO were impressed when they visited the Moatize region in September this year".

"We look forward to working closely with Sedgman in advancing the design and development of the coal handling and preparation plant for the Benga Coal Project," Mr O'Keeffe said.



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