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UNIVERSAL COAL EXPECTS A 50% INCREASE IN GROUP EBITDA QUARTER ON QUARTER

For immediate release

Universal Coal Plc (ASX: UNV) is pleased to announce that Group EBITDA for the current quarterly reporting period is expected to be in excess of 50% higher than for the previous quarter.

The expected EBITDA increase is the result of achieving optimal run of mine production post the completion of the ramp up period, higher demand and sales volumes to the company's main customer and improved coal distribution efficiencies since taking management control of logistics in December 2014.

Universal Coal's chief executive officer Tony Weber commented, "the company continues to go from strength to strength, as strong operational performance at Kangala delivers excellent cash flow, with Group EBITDA for the half year ending June 2015 expected to be in excess of \$13 million.

"As a result, we are superbly placed to deliver our next operation - the New Clydesdale Colliery - before the end of the year. Once running at steady state, we expect group production to double to almost 5 million tonnes per annum on a run-of-mine basis."

Earnings numbers are still subject to the annual year end audit confirmation and possible adjustment.

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