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TECK GETS USD2.5 BILLION FOR QUEBRADA BLANCA 2 COPPER MINE PROJECT

Teck gets US$2.5 billion for copper mine development

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Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in New York and Chilean firm Carey has helped Teck Resources obtain US$2.5 billion in project financing to develop one of the world's largest undeveloped copper deposits.

The syndicate of lenders turned to Milbank in New York and Philippi Prietocarrizosa Ferrero DU & Uría (Chile) for the financing, which closed on 30 May.

Teck will use the funds to develop the Quebrada Blanca Phase 2 copper mine project in northern Chile. The mine is expected to produce copper for 28 years, and production is planned for the second half of 2021.

Teck holds a 60% interest in Compañía Minera Teck Quebrada Blanca, the purpose-built company which owns the mine. Sumitomo Metal Mining and Sumitomo Corporation have a joint 30% indirect stake in the mine, while Chilean state-owned miner Empresa Nacional de Minería has a 10% interest.

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