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## **Galaxy picks spot for plant**

GALAXY Resources has selected a location in China for its proposed lithium carbonate plant, part of the stage 2 development of its Mt Cattlin project at Ravensthorpe in Western Australia.

The company has signed a letter of intent with the Jiangsu Province Zhangjiagang Free Trade Zone Administrative Committee to secure the site at the Yangtze River International Chemical Industry Park.

The 53,000 square metre site, which is 500m from a wharf berth, will be reserved for Galaxy for two years.

The site has access to water supply, sewage treatment, power supply, telecommunication, natural gas, fire-fighting facilities and paved roads.

The proposed site is also next to a large sulfuric acid plant that can provide concentrated sulfuric acid, caustic soda and steam for the lithium carbonate process.

As the LOI is not legally binding, the company will still be required to undergo a public bidding process for the land-use right.

Last week Galaxy appointed Hatch China to complete a definitive feasibility study on the construction of a downstream processing plant in China, after a prefeasibility study suggested it could increase the net present value of the Mt Cattlin project from \$A128 million before tax to somewhere around \$310-360 million.

Shares in Galaxy were 8% or 3.5c up to 45.5c today.

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