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# FAVOURABLE DETERMINATION FROM THE FEDERAL COURT, BRAZIL

**Sydney, Australia**: **Aguia Resources Limited** (ASX: AGR) ('Aguia' or the 'Company') is pleased to provide shareholders with an update on the public civil action ("PCA") filed by the Federal Public Prosecutors' Office ("FPPO") – later joined by five civil associations – against Aguia and FEPAM (the Rio Grande do Sul State EPA).

The Federal Court Trial Court of the City of Bagé, the State of Rio Grande do Sul has denied FPPO's request to annul the previous license granted by FEPAM to Aguia for the *Fosfato Três Estradas* project finding that:

- a. The family ranchers do not fall under the concept of traditional community and, as such, no previous, free and informed consultation is mandatory, and
- b. The public hearing that took place met the legal requirements and was attended by populations from Dom Pedrito and Torquato Severo, reason why there would be no need to nullify the environmental license proceeding to have additional public hearings.

The effect of this decision is to reject the application for an injunction that has been under consideration for approximately three years, from July 2021. Aguia is now free to continue advancing the Tres Estrades Project under the already granted Installation and Environmental Licences. Under Brazilian Law, the next step is the preparation of the site for first production. Once the site has been prepared pursuant to the existing environmental approvals, the State Environmental Protection Foundation FEPAM will issue the Operational Licence and commercial mining operations can commence. Aguia anticipates this process will take 3-6 months to complete.

**Executive Chairman, Warwick Grigor commented:** "This is a great outcome for Aguia. At all times the Board was of the opinion that it would successfully defend its position, but it is pleasing that this issue has been officially resolved in the Company's favour and Aguia is now free pick up where it left off, three years ago. We already have the granted Installation and Environmental Licences. There is now no regulatory impediment to developing and commissioning the Tres Estrades rock phosphate mine in 2025, once the final approvals are received for the Operating Licence."

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## About Aguia Resources Limited

Aguia Resources is an ASX-listed multi-commodity company (AGR:ASX) with pre-production phosphate projects located in Rio Grande do Sul (Brazil) and gold projects in Bolivar (Colombia). Aguia has established highly experienced in-country teams based in Porto Alegre, the capital of Rio Grande do Sul (Brazil) and in Medellin (Colombia). The acquisition of Andean Mining has added a portfolio of gold, silver and copper projects to its asset base.

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