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## Fatality at CITIC Pacific Mining's Sino Iron project site

CITIC Pacific Mining Chief Executive Officer Barry Fitzgerald has expressed his sincere sympathy following the death of a Downer EDI Mining employee at CITIC Pacific Mining's Sino Iron project near Karratha.

The fatality involving a 34-year-old worker occurred about 3.15am on Saturday 30 May in the mine area at the Sino Iron project site at Cape Preston, 100 kilometres south west of Karratha.

Mr Fitzgerald, who was at the site today, said the fatality was a terrible tragedy which had touched the entire CITIC Pacific Mining team.

"On behalf of CITIC Pacific Mining, I wish to express our collective sympathy to the deceased man's family, friends and work mates," Mr Fitzgerald said.

"This has left us all deeply saddened and with Downer EDI we are focussing all our efforts on providing support and counselling to those affected."

Downer EDI Mining CEO David Overall said the man was "a valued and experienced employee who had worked with us on a number of key projects since January 2007. He had been engaged on the Sino Iron project for the past year and his loss will be deeply felt by the management and staff of Downer EDI Mining."

"We are doing everything we can to ensure his family is supported through this difficult time and into the future. Senior staff and co-workers are with the man's family to provide them with support."

All work, including project construction, at the mine site was stopped on Saturday following the death of the man, whose name has not been released. Construction work resumed today and mining will resume over coming days.

Police had visited the site and the Department of Mines and Petroleum were conducting an investigation.

Further information will be released as soon as possible. Employees or contractors with any concerns should call 1800 991 933.

Members of the public can access information by calling 1800 991 933 or visiting the CITIC Pacific Mining website at [www.citicpacificmining.com](http://www.citicpacificmining.com).

## About CITIC Pacific Mining

CITIC Pacific Mining is an Australian subsidiary of CITIC Pacific; a diversified Hong Kong based company. The Sino Iron project is the largest planned magnetite development in Australia, and the first to include large scale downstream processing. For more information, visit [www.citicpacificmining.com](http://www.citicpacificmining.com).

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