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### **Rockwell Automation and Gekko to collaborate on mining software technology**

Gekko Systems and Rockwell Automation have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop software solutions that will assist mining customers across the globe to account for metal content in the various stages of ore processing plants and provide the analytical capability to audit and improve operating performance.

Rockwell Automation and Gekko have worked together collaboratively over 15 years and bring together Gekko's deep knowledge and experience in mineral processing solutions and operations with Rockwell Automation's global leadership in automation.

The MoU was signed on 27 February 2017 at Rockwell Automation by Gekko's Global Mining and Processing Services Manager, Renaldo Maras, Group Manager - Sales & Commercial, Andrew Edmondston, Rockwell Automation's Regional Director South Pacific, David Hegarty.

"It is exciting for Gekko Systems to be associated with Rockwell Automation in what we believe to be a significant opportunity to assist the mining industry to make sense from valuable data that is often lost or not easily accessible for analysis." said Renaldo Maras.

The metallurgical accounting program is in development and pilot stage. Gekko representatives will attend PDAC conference in Toronto this week at Booth #404. They will combine with Rockwell Automation representatives to be available on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March to meet with prospective clients to better understand and incorporate their needs into the software design as well as discuss program features.

"We are delighted to have the opportunity to help co-develop this Connected Mine software solution with Gekko Systems. This is the culmination of our ongoing 15 plus year relationship and the exploitation of technology and industry trends towards the Industrial Internet of Things. This is a solution that ultimately will help benefit our respective clients," said Steve Simpkin, Gekko Account Manager, Rockwell Automation.

If you would like an appointment to meet with the Gekko/Rockwell Automation team at PDAC on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 please contact Renaldo Maras on [renaldom@gekkos.com](mailto:renaldom@gekkos.com) or by cell phone +61 (419) 848 793.

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(L to R) Peter Morell, Business Manager, Rockwell Automation; Renaldo Maras, Global Mining & Processing Services Manager, Gekko; Andrew Edmondston, Group Manager - Sales & Commercial, Gekko; Michael Pantaleano, Business Manager, Rockwell Automation.

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