

# **Announcement**

## Partnership with Alford Mining Systems for AMS Underground Mining Optimisation Software

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RPMGlobal Holdings Limited (ASX: RUL) (*RPM*) has today entered into a software license and distribution agreement with Alford Mining Systems (*AMS*) to enable RPM to rebrand, bundle, market and distribute the AMS Stope Optimisation software (*StopeOpt*) within RPM's Underground software solutions to RPM's clients.

AMS' StopeOpt product is a strategic mine planning tool that automates the design of stope shapes for a range of stoping methods for underground mines. Using constraints detailing mining method and design parameters StopeOpt provides the optimal stope shape design to maximise the value of an orebody. The outputs (stope wireframes, section strings and reports) are suitable for use in strategic and tactical planning. A key feature of StopeOpt is its ability to quickly analyse different stoping methods or stoping parameters to assist engineers to develop a strategic mine plan based on different approaches to mining an orebody.

Commenting on the new distribution partnership, RPM's CEO and Managing Director Richard Mathews said "We are pleased to have entered into a distribution agreement and partnership with AMS that will allow RPM to bundle and on-sell AMS's leading solutions to our underground mining clients."

"We are continuously looking at developing, partnering or acquiring the very best solution providers to deliver industry leading solutions to our customers and the industry at large. AMS' solutions are recognised by the industry as being at the leading edge of optimisation for stoping for underground mines. We look forward to the opportunity to integrate these solutions with our Underground solutions."

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### About RPMGlobal - www.rpmglobal.com

RPMGlobal Holdings Limited (ASX: RUL) [RPM] is a global leader in the provision and development of mining software solutions, advisory services and professional development. With history stretching back to 1968, RPM's experienced global team are the largest publicly traded independent group of technical experts in the world.

Listed on the Australian Securities Exchange on 27 May 2008, RPM is a global leader in the provision of software solutions, advisory consulting and professional development solutions to the mining industry. We have global expertise achieved through our work in over 118 countries and our approach to the business of mining is strongly grounded in economic principles.

#### About AMS - http://alfordminingsystems.com

AMS has focused on the research and development of specialised software tools for the optimization of underground mine design, including stope, decline and sequence optimization. In the current research projects these tools have been combined in a tool chain for strategic mine planning and scenario analysis, and will be extended with a broader set of industry case studies.