



**EASTERN
GURUMA**

Eastern Guruma and JSW Drilling Services

CLIENT

Fortescue Metals Group

PROJECT

Reverse Circulation
Grade Control &
Hydrogeological
Borefield Drilling Services

LOCATION

Pilbara, Western Australia

VALUE

AU \$34 million

START DATE

June 2015

FINISH DATE

June 2017

PROJECT SUMMARY

Eastern Guruma and JSW have been awarded a \$34 million contract for Reverse Circulation Grade Control and Hydrogeological Borefield Drilling Services for Fortescue Metals Group. The RC Grade Control drilling program under this contract is estimated to require approximately 21,500 metres drilled per month across the Chichester's (Christmas Creek and Cloudbreak Mines) and 8,100 metres drilled per month at Solomon Mine. The Hydrogeological Borefield drilling program includes the provision of Dual Rotary, Mud Rotary or Dual Tube Flooded Reverse rigs and other rigs required to provide water bore contraction services and supply of labour, equipment, supervision and expertise, tools, technical recommendations and technical drilling/engineering support to carry out the drilling programme.

This contract will employ Aboriginal trainees and qualified drillers as with previous joint venture contracts. The training program which has been in operation between Eastern Guruma and JSW since 2013 has employed and trained Aboriginal people to gain a Certificate II in Drilling Operations as well as other training relevant to the drilling industry such as HR driving licence, Apply first aid, Four wheel drive, Forklift, Work safely at heights, White Card, Telehandler and Back Hoe. We currently have approximately 32% Aboriginal employees working across the 3 project sites of Solomon, Christmas Creek and Cloudbreak Mines.

