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Whitehaven's Coal Share Purchase Plan Well Supported.

Whitehaven Coal Limited (ASX: WHC) has successfully raised \$26 million in new equity through its Share Purchase Plan (SPP).

Whitehaven Coal Managing Director Tony Haggarty said "We are extremely pleased with the level of support shown for the SPP and thank our shareholders for their ongoing commitment to the company".

A total of 8,501,896 ordinary shares will be issued under the SPP at \$3.05 per share, the same price as the institutional placement completed on 30 July 2009. New Shares issued under the SPP will rank equally with existing shares and will be issued today, Monday 7 September 2009, with trading on the ASX expected to commence on Tuesday 8 September 2009. The SPP was not subject to any scaleback. Holding statements and refunds for applications that have not been accepted will be dispatched to participants on or around 8 September 2009.

If shareholders have any questions regarding the SPP, they should contact the share registry, Computershare, on 1300 552 270 within Australia or +61 3 9415 4000 outside Australia.

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