Northern Territory Government strengthens trade ties with East Kalimantan

The Northern Territory Government will meet with East Kalimantan this week to secure new trade opportunities for local Northern Territory businesses.

Minister for Trade, Rob Knight met with the Governor of East Kalimantan, Awang Faroek Ishak in Samarinda today to explore potential trade opportunities identified in the 2010 Indonesian Mining Procurement Forum held in Darwin in April.

“The Henderson Government is exploring ways to tap into the trade potential across Indonesia,” Mr Knight said.

“Kalimantan is one of the richest mineral provinces in Indonesia and the Northern Territory is well placed when it comes to service and supply its mining sector.

“The Indonesian Mining Procurement Forum this year brought together more than 175 visitors from across Indonesian and Australian looking to take advantage of opportunities in the Indonesia mining sector and many local businesses are already with Indonesia.”

Local Territory businesses now trading with the Indonesian mining sector include:

- Engine Engineering, Berrimah
- Linetec, Pinelands
- Blackwoods, Winnellie
- Neddill Drilling and Blasting, Humpty Doo

“East Kalimantan has identified key areas of trade potential with the Territory including mining services and supply, livestock, and education, and the Northern Territory Government is keen to work with East Kalimantan to strengthen trade arrangements in these industries,” Mr Knight said.

“This week we will be targeting potential new trade opportunities and letting East Kalimantan know we’re open for business.”

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