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***Ausenco update on Lumwana Copper Project***

Global diversified engineering services group, Ausenco Limited (ASX:AAX) reported that it has procured all replacement equipment for the Lumwana Copper Project damaged by fire on 7 July 2008.

The fire, in which no one was injured, damaged the main 20MVA transformer and adjacent 11kV station. This equipment forms part of the process plant facility currently being commissioned by Ausenco and its joint venture partner Bateman Engineering Limited for Equinox Minerals Limited.

Ausenco Chief Executive Office Zimi Meka said "The investigation by independent experts was now essentially complete and remediation of the damaged area has commenced. We have had some tremendous support from all our people, suppliers and clients who all have assisted us in procuring the replacement equipment as well as progressing through the rescheduled planning and commissioning timetable."

"Commissioning work is continuing in other areas of the plant, with reticulated power from the Zambian utility, ZESCO remaining unaffected and available."

"Based on the current times for the replacement transformer, cabling and switchboards we expect the project to be ready for hand over in late October 2008." Mr Meka said.

"Our focus is on implementing the remediation program to complete the plant commissioning to get it operating for our client as soon as possible," he said. "We are working closely with the Lumwana project team and Equinox Minerals Limited to achieve this."

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The Ausenco group (ASX: AAX), one of the top 200 companies listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX), provides world leading engineering, project management and operations solutions to the global resources industries. The group combines the expertise, experience and resource capabilities of five significant global engineering and project management services businesses in Ascentis, Ausenco Minerals, Pipeline Systems Incorporated, Sandwell and Vector Engineering.

With a presence in key markets and to best service client needs, the group operates globally with more than 2,700 people in more than 30 offices across 13 countries. Along with its values, diversity, strategic strength and financial management, Ausenco's people are the foundation of its success.