



**Rusina to start Acoje nickel shipments soon**

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**RUSINA Mining expects to ship in November the first cargo of nickel laterite ore from its Acoje project in the Philippines through the purpose-built Santa Cruz export port.**

The company said this would allow for a definite end to the late season monsoon and more cost effective use of ship side loading vessels.

It added a small shipment of higher-grade saprolite ore will be sent in October from Manila as part of its bulk sampling program.

Rusina's local partner DMCI Holdings said the main pier at Santa Cruz would be ready next month despite interruptions caused by the extended monsoon across South East Asia.

Acoje has an estimated resource of about 33 million tonnes of nickel laterite grading 0.95% nickel and 0.07% cobalt from the upper limonite resources.

Rusina is drilling holes to evaluate the lower and higher grade saprolite resource immediately below, which have so far returned intersections of 17m at 1.97% nickel, 14m at 1.99% nickel and 4m at 2.25% nickel.

Shares in Rusina were trading up 2c to A37c this morning.

