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ASX Announcement

Operations Update as Kayelekera Moves Toward Steady State Production in Q1 CY2026

Lotus Resources Limited (ASX: LOT, OTCQX: LTSRF) (Lotus or the **Company)** is pleased to provide an update on the Kayelekera Mine in Malawi regarding recent production and the ramp-up of the processing plant to anticipated steady state production level by end of Q1 CY2026.

KEY POINTS

- Steady state operational production level remains targeted for Q1 CY2026
- In November, the processing plant achieved pleasing throughput and recovery levels
- Initial ramp-up of processing in November and December has been impacted by sulphuric acid availability and supply chain challenges, which are being addressed
- The acid plant is expected to commence operating in Q1 CY2026, which will mitigate any acid supply constraints
- Product qualification is progressing with first shipment of product now expected to occur in late Q1
 CY2026 and full qualification with at least one converter expected early in 2026
- Lotus maintains a strong balance sheet with A\$73.9M cash as at 30 November 2025¹

Lotus Managing Director Greg Bittar commented: "Production for the planned operating time in November has been very pleasing and provides us with the confidence that nameplate throughput levels and other key production parameters can be achieved. We also continue to work with the converters and look forward to our first converter account being opened which we expect in early 2026. This then allows the final preparations for despatch of inventory from site."

PRODUCTION RAMP-UP UPDATE

The production ramp up is progressing at Kayelekera, however, November and early December processing has been constrained by acid availability, impacting plant availability.

The sulphuric acid supply issues have arisen due to production challenges in Zambia, which was the primary source of supply, with South Africa as a secondary source of supply. The Company has actively increased the number of suppliers contracted for the supply of sulphuric acid and additional supplies are now being sourced out of South Africa.

In addition to the measures actioned by the Company, Lotus' acid plant rebuild project will address these acid supply constraints. The acid plant rebuild remains on schedule, with commissioning expected to commence in early 2026. The acid plant will enable the production of sulphuric acid from sulphur, which is more reliably supplied (as it is transported more easily and more broadly available) with significantly lower tonnage and

 $^{^{1} \ \}text{Exchange rate assumption of 0.6556 AUD: USD. Figure excludes restricted cash. Includes US$2.5M debt drawn.}$



volumes required, therefore reducing corresponding truck movements. The Company expects the acid plant to commence operating in Q1 CY2026.

During a 15 day period of continuous operations in November, the plant performed well and is approaching nameplate levels. The Company used the shutdown time, due to the acid shortages, to address routine plant commissioning items, undertake plant optimization initiatives and regular maintenance, which is supporting pleasing throughput and recovery levels. In that period of continuous operations, the processing plant achieved 18.2 hours per day of uptime, milling throughput rate averaged 138 tonnes per hour with a maximum hourly throughput of 172 tonnes per hour, equating to 70% and 88% of nameplate milling throughput, respectively. Preliminary recovery for the month averaged approximately 83%², which is close to targeted steady state recovery of 86.7%.

Lotus remains on track to achieve operational production rates at steady state levels at Kayelekera within Q1 CY2026. Current focus areas include mining activities, which commenced in early November, embedding standard operating procedures across the processing plant and laboratories, and readying for first product shipment. Product qualification is progressing with first shipment of product now expected to occur in late Q1 CY2026 and full qualification with at least one converter expected early in 2026.

Lotus maintains a strong balance sheet with A\$73.9M in cash as at 30 November 2025³.

This ASX announcement was approved and authorised by the Managing Director of Lotus Resources Limited.

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² Information is preliminary only with final recovery still to be reconciled.

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ABOUT LOTUS

Lotus is a leading Africa-focused uranium producer with significant scale and Mineral Resources. Lotus owns an 85% interest in the Kayelekera Uranium Mine in Malawi, and 100% of the Letlhakane Uranium Project in Botswana.

Lotus restarted production at Kayelekera in August 2025, on time and on budget. The Kayelekera Mine hosts current Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves as set out in the tables below and historically produced ~11Mlb of uranium between 2009 and 2014. The Letlhakane Project hosts a current Mineral Resource also as set out in the table below.

LOTUS MINERAL RESOURCE INVENTORY – DECEMBER 2024^{4,5,6,7,8}

Project	Category	Mt	Grade	U₃O ₈	U₃O ₈
			(U₃O ₈ ppm)	(M kg)	(M lbs)
Kayelekera	Measured	0.9	830	0.7	1.6
Kayelekera	Measured – RoM Stockpile ⁹	1.6	760	1.2	2.6
Kayelekera	Indicated	29.3	510	15.1	33.2
Kayelekera	Inferred	8.3	410	3.4	7.4
Kayelekera	Total	40.1	510	20.4	44.8
Kayelekera	Inferred – LG Stockpiles ¹⁰	2.4	290	0.7	1.5
Kayelekera	Total – Kayelekera	42.5	500	21.1	46.3
Letlhakane	Indicated	71.6	360	25.9	56.8
Letlhakane	Inferred	70.6	366	25.9	56.9
Letlhakane	Total – Letlhakane	142.2	363	51.8	113.7
Livingstonia	Inferred	6.9	320	2.2	4.8
Livingstonia	Total – Livingstonia	6.9	320	2.2	4.8
Total	All Uranium Mineral Resources	191.6	392	75.1	164.8

LOTUS ORE RESERVE INVENTORY – JULY 2022¹¹

Project	Category	Mt	Grade	U₃O ₈	U₃O ₈
			(U₃O ₈ ppm)	(M kg)	(M lbs)
Kayelekera	Open Pit - Proved	0.6	902	0.5	1.2
Kayelekera	Open Pit - Probable	13.7	637	8.7	19.2
Kayelekera	RoM Stockpile – Proved	1.6	760	1.2	2.6
Kayelekera	Total	15.9	660	10.4	23.0

⁴ See ASX announcement dated 15 February 2022 entitled "Kayelekera mineral resource increases by 23%" for information on the Kayelekera Mineral Resource Estimate. The competent person for that announcement was David Princep.

⁵ The Kayelekera Mineral Resource Estimate is inclusive of the Kayelekera Ore Reserves.

⁶ See ASX announcement dated 9 June 2022 entitled "Uranium Resource Increases to 51.1Mlbs" for information on the Livingstonia Mineral Resource Estimate.

The competent person for that announcement was David Princep.

⁷ See ASX Announcement dated 6 December 2024 for information on the Letlhakane Mineral Resource Estimate.

⁸ Lotus confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the respective Mineral Resource announcements of 15 February 2022, 6 June 2022 and 6 December 2024 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resource Estimates in those announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed. Lotus confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Persons' findings are presented have not been materially modified from those market announcements.

⁹ RoM stockpile has been mined and is located near mill facility.

¹⁰ Low-grade stockpiles have been mined and placed on the medium-grade stockpile and are considered potentially feasible for blending or beneficiation, with initial studies to assess this optionality already completed.

¹¹ Ore Reserves are reported based on a dry basis. Proved Ore Reserves are inclusive of RoM stockpiles and are based on a 200ppm cut-off grade for arkose and a 390ppm cut-off grade for mudstone. Ore Reserves are based on a 100% ownership basis of which Lotus has an 85% interest. Except for information in the Accelerated Restart Plan announced on the ASX on 8 October 2024, Lotus confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the announcement of 11 August 2022 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Ore Reserve Estimate in that announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. Lotus confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the 11 August 2022 announcement.