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## Intec gets cracking on residues project

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**INTEC has submitted its development proposal and environmental management plan for its Hellyer residues project to the Tasmanian Government for approval and hopes to get the project up and running within a year.**

Subject to approval being granted by year-end, Intec intends to begin construction in early 2008 and have the project operational within 12 months.

The company plans to construct a plant to extract and recover metals such as zinc, lead and silver from mineral and industrial residues using its own hydrometallurgy technology, the Intec Process.

The proposal details Intec's plans to produce about 11,000 tonnes per year of high-grade zinc sulphide and 13,000tpa high-grade lead sulphide for export from two feed stocks: electric arc furnace dust and recovered lead sulphide.

Intec said the technology represents world's best practice in extraction and recycling processes for materials such as electric arc furnace dust.

Smorgon Steel has a three-year agreement with Intec to supply arc furnace dust as feedstock to the project.

Lead sulphide will come from the nearby Hellyer zinc concentrate project, a joint venture between Intec and Polymetals.

Shares in Intec were down 1c in morning trade to 11c.



Intec's Hellyer mill in Tasmania

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