



# Avanco Resources Limited

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## Avanco Resources Limited in copper production ramp-up in Brazil

Avanco Resources Limited (ASX:AVB) has now triggered a copper concentrate production ramp-up at the Antas development in Brazil.

Commissioning of the Metso filter is now complete, which facilitates the integration of what is now a fully operational concentrator with 300 tonnes of copper concentrate filtered to around 8% moisture stockpiled ready for dispatch.

The filter is the final element of the Antas processing facility to be commissioned and has been completed on schedule and on budget under the lump sum turn key contract.

Avanco said that the filter is exceeding expectations in terms of throughput and product dryness, and has been sized generously and is not expected to operate for more than 12 hours per day.

Containers will be loaded on site with 27 tonnes of copper concentrate in each 20 foot container, with the early concentrate production forming part of the committed 500 tonne spot sale.

### Analysis

With the filter unit now functional, plant throughput is being ramped up to a rate equal to an annualised capacity of 500,000tpa ROM.

From now on and throughout quarter two, optimisation of plant availability, metallurgical efficiencies and concentrate quality will be on-going.

Avanco either owns, or holds the rights to 100%, of the second largest area of mineral tenure in the world-class Carajas region, behind Vale SA.

The company is well positioned to potentially operate a number of high grade, low cost copper/gold mines in the region which will establish Avanco as a potentially profitable long life producer.

Management have been successful in obtaining funding for Antas via an equity capital raising putting Avanco in a strong financial position whereby management believes it is fully funded into production whilst remaining debt and covenant free.

Institutional shareholders include: Blackrock World Mining Trust, Appian Natural Resources Fund, Greenstone Resources and Glencore.

### Upcoming catalyst:

- Detailed terms for an offtake contract. Three groups were shortlisted in late December for closing negotiations.

**Price:** A\$0.076

**Market Cap:** A\$194.096M

### 1 Year Share Price Graph



### Share Information

**Code:** AVB

**Listing:** ASX

**Sector:** General Mining

**Website:** [www.avancoresources.com](http://www.avancoresources.com)

### Company Synopsis:

*Avanco Resources Limited (ASX:AVB) is a Brazilian focused exploration and development company.*

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