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Further to this gents, I have just come out of capex meeting with David/Llene and these loco batteries are now included in the forecast from their side and they understand and support spend.



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Dear Regis,

It is approved on my signed. I'll sign it physically, but in the meantime please proceed with next steps.

Regards,

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**From:** Regis Ngenzi <[regis.ngenzi@trinity-metals.com](mailto:regis.ngenzi@trinity-metals.com)>  
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Dear Evode,

Please find attached the *Sole Supplier Motivation / Bid Waiver Form* covering the urgent purchase of 20 locomotive-battery sets.

**Summary:**

- **Equipment affected:** underground battery locomotives.
- **Supplier:** Shandong China Coal Industrial & Mining Supplies Group Co., Ltd.
- **Costs:**
  - Batteries (20 sets): **USD 50,000**
  - Estimated freight: **USD 5,000**
  - **Total:** USD 55,000
- **Justification:**
  - Only OEM source with stock available for immediate dispatch.
  - No suitable local or regional alternatives.
  - Delay would add to sidelined locomotives and cut haulage capacity.
- **DOA requirement:** Value falls in the USD 50 001–100 000 bracket – GM and COO approvals required.

Kindly review and sign the form at your earliest convenience so that we can raise the purchase order without delay.

Should you need any additional details, please let me know.

Thank you for your prompt attention.

Best regards,



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**Subject:** Loco Batteries at Rutongo

G'day Evode,

The issues of loco batteries was raised this morning at the Ops meeting as critical

path for Rutongo. My apologies, I think there has been a misunderstanding on this one, my position was for you to go ahead and order and I would support the order. I did not realise you were waiting for me to come back to you on it, and the confusion likely sits on my side, so apologies for that.

Rutongo is already in a very challenging position re a lack of development headings and you are essentially relying on a few veins to provide production. This is holding ok at present and we need to maintain that if we are to achieve the July forecast of 72 tonnes.

The current status of the loco batteries is a big risk to Rutongo and I fully support the expenditure. I have asked Regis to explore the other sites in the mean time, but I am confident Nyakabingo cannot assist as they are heading to a similar situation.

My understanding is 20 x loco batteries @ US \$2500 each plus freight at an approximate cost of US \$5000.

Peter and David, for you information.



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