



## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

30 September 2025

### Monthly Activity Report for August 2025

**Papyrus Australia Ltd** (ASX:PPY) is pleased to report its activities pertaining to the month ended 31 August 2025 and the monthly Appendix 4C cash flow report released to the market on 30 September 2025.

#### Executive Chair Overview

Papyrus announced several significant achievements in August which were the result of many months of significant effort by the Papyrus team.

As we progressively transition from an R&D focus towards commercial operations, Daniel Schmidt has been appointed as the Papyrus CEO to lead the next phase of growth, as we ramp up and expand our production footprint.

A transformative moment for Papyrus was marked with the signing of the flagship agreement with TBS Mining Solutions. Over the past 8 months, our teams have worked tirelessly to refine the process, validate the product, and align technical capabilities with market needs. The result is a biodegradable Collar Keeper® that meets the demands of the mining sector while advancing our mission to provide sustainable alternatives for the industry. Papyrus is excited with this exceptional collaboration with Aquirian, which showcases Australian ingenuity, environmental responsibility and commercial performance at its best.

The PPY is extremely grateful to have been awarded a \$250k Early-Stage Commercialisation Grant from the Australian Government's Industry Growth Program (IGP). This fantastic recognition and funding support marks a significant step for our commercialisation strategy and is essential for the transition of our lab-scale proof of concept to commercial scale design.

In a restructure to align with our pivot to commercialisation, Papyrus has welcomed Ms Patricia Vanni to the team as Company Secretary. Pat works for Automic group who have been engaged to provide support services as we strengthen our position for growth. The engagement of the Automic Group will include back-office support functions and allow our executive team to concentrate on product / technology development and commercialisation activities.

On behalf of the Papyrus team, we are grateful for the ongoing support of sophisticated shareholders who participated in our recent capital raise. This investment supports project growth and the development of the Australian facilities that will maximize long term value for all of our shareholders.

#### Highlights

- **CEO appointed**
- **Binding term sheet signed with TBS Mining Solutions**
- **Papyrus is awarded \$250k IGP grant funding to progress commercialisation**
- **Ms Patricia Vanni appointed Company Secretary under restructure**

#### Operational Activity

1. The PPY Board appointed Daniel Schmidt as the Papyrus Chief Executive Officer effective 04 August 2025. Daniel has led operations since commencing with PPY in 2022 and has over the past year worked closely with our technology team and key pilot customers, to expedite our technology commercialisation. Daniel has held a dedicated focus to progress PPY R&D, which has been instrumental in securing the IGP grant funding, and progressing the commercialisation projects.

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2. PPY has entered into a binding term sheet with TBS Mining Solutions P/L - a wholly owned subsidiary of Aquirian Ltd, to manufacture a biodegradable version of their innovative Collar Keeper® product. Utilizing PPY's patented technology to convert banana plantation waste into the board and paper products which advanced this year, coupled with the technical specification and knowledge from TBS, the required laboratory and field-testing trials were completed, to progress the next iteration of the Biodegradable Collar Keeper® product.
  3. Matched grant funding of \$250,000 was awarded to PPY from the Australian Government's Industry Growth Program and will support the early-stage commercialisation of the PPY proprietary banana fibre processing technology. This funding supports the work underway to transition the technology from lab-scale proof of concept to commercial scale design. This R&D at the Rapid Prototyping and R&D Facility at the University of South Australia has the initial focus of scaling the design along with product prototyping and testing.
  4. With a strong focus on R&D and the next phase of commercialisation and product development, Papyrus restructured its support functions and engaged the Automic Group to provide company secretarial and back-office services. This strategic outsourcing will allow our executive team to focus on technology refinement, business development, commercialisation objectives and customer engagement, while leveraging Automic's seasoned, scalable service platform for improved process efficiency and a modest uplift in functional capacity.
  5. Ms Patricia Vanni from the Automic Group has been appointed the Company Secretary for Papyrus and replaces Mr Vince Rigano who has held this role for the last 10 years and remains a Company Director.
  6. Papyrus released the Preliminary Final ASX Report for the year ended 30 June 2025.

#### **Financial Activity**

7. During the month of August 2025, the following related party payments were made:
  - \$ 4,400 to V P Rigano & Co Pty Ltd for Company Secretarial services by Vince Rigano as Company Secretary
8. Papyrus received initial funds of \$ 214,655 from the Department of Industry and Science as part of the IGP grant.
9. Papyrus received \$237,000 in a capital raise from new and existing sophisticated investors.
10. The expenditure reported for the month ending in August 2025 Appendix 4C cash flow report for Papyrus relates primarily to R&D facility equipment, staff, IP, compliance and other overhead costs.

There were no other payments to an associate or a related party.



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Executive Chair

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