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Beilby sale

CoreStaff has acquired a majority **stake** in Perth-based recruitment **company** Beilby Consulting. The Darwin-based **company** said the **acquisition**, for an undisclosed sum, would allow it to provide hiring and recruitment services of staff from the shop floor to the C-Suite. Beilby chairman and interim chief executive Graham Jenkins said there was a strong commitment from Beilby staff to making the partnership succeed. CoreStaff started in Darwin in 2008 as a labour-hire **company** and now lists BHP Billiton and Glencore among is clients. It boasts revenue of more than \$100 **million** a year. Beilby Consulting was founded by the late Ron Beilby in Perth in 1975.

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Troy's tax win

Troy Resources has secured a tax break from the Guyanese Government to import capital equipment needed for its Karouni **gold** project. The Investment Development Agreement will allow it to import equipment duty and tax free. Troy picked up the Karouni project when it acquired Azimuth Resources last year. Paul Bensen-headed Troy released its quarterly report yesterday, which showed record quarterly silver production from the Casposo mine in Argentina, up 22.3 per cent to 710,178 ounces. Production at the **company**'s Andorinhas mine in Brazil was up 5.7 per cent to 8200oz. Troy shares closed up 1¢ at \$1.02.

\$100b drug play

US drug giant Pfizer, the maker of Viagra, has targeted British rival AstraZeneca in a \$107 billion takeover, Pfizer revealed yesterday. AstraZeneca rejected an initial approach in January valuing the company about £59 billion (\$108 billion). The cash and shares deal would represent a 30 per cent premium on AstraZeneca's closing share price of £35.26 on January 3, which was the date of the offer. Pfizer remains interested and is confident a combination is possible.

Leighton contract

Construction giant Leighton Holdings has been awarded a \$1.16 billion contract to build an immigration and customs building between Hong Kong and Zhuhai-Macao.

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