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SYDNEY--PanAust Ltd. (PNA.AU) said Tuesday its majority-owned Frieda River **copper-and-gold mining** project in Papua New Guinea could cost US\$1.7 **billion** to build.

PanAust--currently a takeover target for **China's** Guangdong Rising Assets Management--said Frieda River could produce 125,000 tons of **copper**-in-concentrate, and 200,000 ounces of **gold**, annually.

Brisbane-based PanAust recently acquired an 80% **stake** in the Frieda River project from Glencore PLC (GLEN.LN). The remaining interest is held by Australia-listed Highlands Pacific Ltd. (HIG.AU).

"Preliminary analysis indicates that the base case development concept would be robust at a **copper** price of US\$2.80 per pound and **gold** price of US\$1,300 a troy ounce," PanAust said in a statement.

PanAust, which is preparing a feasibility study into the Frieda River project, said the initial construction-cost estimate didn't include a fleet of **mining** trucks or a power plant.

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