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CHINESE state-owned **company** Sinosteel has struck an agreement to take full ownership of a **uranium** project in South Australia.

Pepinnini Minerals has sold its 40 per cent **stake** in the Crocker Well and Mt Victoria projects to Sinosteel **Uranium** SA for \$2.3 **million**.

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In 2007 Sinosteeel paid \$28.5 million for 60 per cent of the projects in the state's east.

There was also a commitment to pay \$5 million towards further drilling and a bankable feasibility study on the resource and \$6 million on exploration for other commodities.

When that deal was announced, uranium stocks were running hot, and Pepinnini shares surged 24 per cent on the day to \$1.74. Currently they are trading at 1.9c, up .3c.

In Late 2009 the Pepinnini/Sinosteel joint venture put the project on hold, saying "preliminary financial modelling of the Crocker Well **Uranium** Project undertaken as part of the bankable feasibility study (BFS) for the development of a **uranium** mine indicates the Crocker Well project is not viable based on current market conditions". The deal is subject to a number of conditions which must be satisfied.

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