

Large Stones Keep Rolling In for Lucapa



Lucapa Diamond Company has recovered a 113-carat, type IIa rough at its Lulo mine in Angola, its fifth stone over 100 carats this year and the third this month.

The new discovery joins that of a 131-carat diamond last week and a 160-carat rough earlier this month, Lucapa said Thursday. All three stones are high quality. Lulo also produced a 170-carat pink in July.

In total, Lucapa has unearthed 30 rough diamonds weighing more than 100 carats since Lulo reached commercial production in 2015, the miner noted.

“The Lulo alluvial mine continues to produce diamonds of great size and quality,” said Lucapa managing director Stephen Wetherall. “With the stand-alone kimberlite bulk sampling plant now in operation and processing the priority kimberlite samples, we are working hard to realize the primary-source-kimberlite potential on the Lulo concession.”

Image: The 113-carat rough diamond. (Lucapa Diamond Company)