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## Explosion at Apple Tree Creek Pine Chemical Plant

Leaf Resources Limited (ASX: LER) ("**Leaf**" or "**Company**"), announced today that investigations are continuing into an explosion that occurred at the Company's Apple Tree Creek Pine Chemical Plant ("**Plant**") on Friday night (12 November). The explosion occurred at approximately 9.45pm and five personnel were on site at the time of the incident.

The explosion resulted in injuries, with one contractor taken to the Bundaberg Hospital with serious facial injuries and burns while another employee was treated for minor injuries. During the weekend, the contractor was transferred to a Brisbane hospital for surgery where he remains in a serious but stable condition.

Police and the fire brigade attended the incident and released the site to WorkSafe Queensland on Saturday.

Workplace health and safety officers are now on site and investigating the cause of the accident. The investigations will examine if a lightning strike at the Plant at 1.30pm on Friday was a contributing factor to the explosion.

The Company's immediate concern has been for the well being of its employees and contractors, and management has been in direct contact with the contractor's family. The Company has offered counselling for all employees and contractors with additional care for personnel directly involved in the incident.

The Company's insurers have been notified and assessors will attend the site. The Plant will not operate until all investigations are complete, damage is fully assessed and repairs are undertaken.

The Company intends to remain in a trading halt whilst the Company continues to conduct investigations into the incident and until further information becomes available. The Company will provide updates as soon as it is in a position to do so.

### AUTHORISATION STATEMENT

This update has been authorised to be given to ASX by the Board of Leaf Resources Limited.

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