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Leaf Resources Limited – Request for Voluntary Suspension

Leaf Resources Limited ACN 074 969 056 (ASX: LER) ("Leaf" or "Company") requests a continuation of the voluntary suspension initially granted for its ordinary shares on 17 November 2021, until the market opens on 20 June 2022 or earlier.

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 17.2, the Company provides the following information:

- On 17 November 2021, a voluntary suspension was granted to allow the Company to confirm the circumstances and status regarding an incident at the Company's Apple Tree Creek Pine Chemical Plant ("Plant").
- 2. On 1 December 2021, the Company confirmed access to the site had been granted by WorkSafe Queensland, having completed their initial investigations.
- 3. Leaf continues to work with WorkSafe Queensland health and safety officers. The Company has provided all data requests to WorkSafe and awaits its assessment.
- 4. The Company has received confirmation from its insurance agent that it is indemnified by the insurers to replace damaged equipment. The Company has received progress payments of \$1.4m of an expected total payout of \$4.6m. The balance is expected to be received in instalments as the Company progresses in replacing the equipment.
- 5. The Company has paid NZ\$2,587,000 (including 15% GST) or NZ\$2,250,000 (excluding GST) for the solvent extraction equipment and work has began dismantling the plant in NZ while the Apple Tree Creek site is being readied for the installation of the replacement equipment.
- 6. On the 13th May, the Company announced it had secured short-term financing enabling it to acquire key equipment required to restore its plant, being a fit for-purpose solvent extractor with capacity to produce 16,000 tonnes per annum ("TPA") of Leaf's natural pine chemical products, which is a doubling of the damaged plant's capacity.
- 7. The Company is in the process of arranging permanent funding for the payment of related transportation, installation costs and general working capital to bring the Apple Tree Creek plant back into operation.
- 8. Determination of the availability and timing of permanent funding will directly impact the likely downtime, viability of and timeframes for remediation and repair program. Until these items can





be determined with certainty, the Company continues to seek to have the voluntary suspension remain in place until 20 June 2022.

9. Leaf is not aware of any reason why the voluntary suspension should not be granted or of any other information necessary to inform the market about the voluntary suspension.

Yours sincerely Leaf Resources Limited



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