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BASTION APPOINTS LITHIUM EXPERT AS CONSULTANT GEOLOGIST AND IN-COUNTRY (CHILE) CONSULTANT GEOLOGIST

Highlights

- Appointment of Mr. Murray Brooker as Consultant Geologist. Mr Brooker brings extensive Chilean experience in the belt where the company is exploring. He has held Senior technical roles, consulting to Lithium Power International (ASX: LPI), Allkem Ltd (formerly Orocobre) (ASX: AKE) and Advantage Lithium Corp (TSXV: AAL).
- Mr Brooker is a Lithium expert, having worked extensively in Argentina, Chile and Australia. The Board considers his extensive geological experience will significantly assist the Company in implementing its decarbonisation strategy.
- The Company has recently flagged its intention to continue to identify new assets, with a focus on the Company's decarbonisation strategy, targeting Lithium, Copper, REE, Graphite and Nickel.
- Appointment of Mr. Rosendo Puig as in-country (Chile) Consultant Geologist. Mr Puig has a distinguished career with major companies including Codelco, Newmont and Antofagasta Minerals.
- Mr Puig has previously worked on both the Capote Gold Project and the Cometa Copper Project and brings a wealth of knowledge that will assist the Company in advancing these projects.

Bastion Minerals Limited (ASX: BMO) (Bastion or the Company) is pleased to announce the appointments of Mr. Murray Brooker as Consultant Geologist and Mr Rosendo Puig as in-country (Chile) Consultant Geologist.

Mr Brooker is a geologist and hydrogeologist, with over 30 years' experience. He has worked extensively on mineral projects across Argentina, Chile, Australia, and other countries and is a lithium expert, having worked extensively on brine and hard rock lithium projects since 2010. He has previously advised large listed companies such as Allkem Ltd (ASX: AKE) (formerly Orocobre Ltd) and Lithium Power International (ASX: LPI).

Mr. Brooker has worked across multiple commodities, and his broad experience includes all aspects of exploration program design including interpretation of geological, geochemical and geophysical data; and technical reporting for stock exchanges in Australia and Canada under the JORC and NI43-101 codes.

Mr Puig has 40 years' experience exploring in Chile, Australia and other locations globally, primarily focused on exploration for copper and gold. Mr. Puig has Chilean and Australian citizenship and has previously worked on both the Capote Gold Project and Cometa Copper Project for other explorers.

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Bastion's Executive Chairman, Mr. Ross Landles, commented:

"Bastion is delighted to welcome Murray and Rosendo to the team, bringing with them vast experience of our projects and the broader coastal belt region of Chile."

"This wealth of knowledge and their strong technical and operational skills put Bastion in a strong position to drive forward our exploration activities and bring value to shareholders."

"These appointments come at a pivotal time for the Company as we are progressing well in our maiden drilling campaign at the Capote Gold Project, and as we make preparations for further exploration at the Cometa Copper Project."

"I have previously indicated our strong interest to identify new assets that fit the focus on the Company's decarbonisation strategy, targeting Lithium, Copper, REE, Graphite and Nickel. We believe Mr. Brooker brings significant experience to assist in this, especially in the Lithium sector."

About Bastion Minerals

Bastion Minerals (ASX:**BMO**) is an Australian listed exploration company focused on discovering high-grade precious and base metals deposits within the mineral-rich Atacama Region of Chile (**Figure 1**). Bastion's strategy is to apply cutting-edge exploration to make multiple discoveries on its highly prospective Capote Gold, Cometa Copper-Gold and Garin Gold-Silver Projects, which have had no modern exploration. Bastion will continue to identify new assets with a focus on the Company's decarbonisation strategy, targeting Lithium, Copper, REE, Graphite and Nickel.



Figure 1: Bastion Minerals' Chilean Project Portfolio

This announcement was approved for release by the Executive Chairman of Bastion Minerals.





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