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## Lakes Blue PEP 169 Sale Second and Final Payment of \$3.5 million Received

NewPeak Metals Ltd (ASX:NPM) (NewPeak) wishes to advise the market of the recent announcement by Lakes Blue Energy NL (ASX:LKO) (Lakes, Lakes Blue or the Company) that the final A\$3.5 million in proceeds from the sale of Lakes' 49% interest in Victorian Petroleum Exploration Permit 169 (PEP 169), has now been received. Completion of the sale took place on 9 October, with the total A\$6.5m of sale proceeds now received by Lakes. The terms of the sale of Lakes' interest in PEP 169 also provide for ongoing royalty payments by Armour Energy (Victoria) Pty Ltd (AEV). The Royalties will be calculated on the same basis as those paid to the Victorian Government pursuant to the Victorian Petroleum Act 1998. Overall, Lakes will receive approximately 4% of the wellhead value of any petroleum produced from within PEP 169 (LKO ASX announcement 13 January 2025).

Lakes' Chairperson, Mr Roland Sleeman, said "Lakes is delighted to have received the full \$6.5m of sales proceeds. The Company is now fully focussed on drilling the Wombat-5 well in PRL2, while the royalty arrangement provides meaningful upside from any petroleum production from PEP 169 without any exposure to exploration, development, or production costs."

**NewPeak is the largest shareholder in LKO**, holding 9,584,616 shares or approx. 17% of Lakes Blue and looks forward to Lakes advancing its business activities to create value for its shareholders.

Authorised for Release by the Board of Directors.

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