

## GENERAL MANAGER – OPERATIONS COMMENCES FULLTIME EMPLOYMENT

**3 February 2017, Sydney Australia:** Latrobe Magnesium Limited (ASX:LMG) is pleased to welcome David Wandmaker, the General Manager of Operations for LMG's plant, as LMG's first fulltime employee from the Latrobe Valley.

David is an experienced people and process manager with extensive experience in power station operations and maintenance. He was employed in various roles with the SECV and the Yallourn Power station for some 34 years. His last 13 years have been in a project consultancy capacity providing services to three power stations in relation to operational procedures, occupational health and training.

David is based in the Latrobe Valley at Moe and he can be contacted on the following mobile and email addresses -

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David will be responsible for the efficient operation of LMG's magnesium plant to be located at 320 Tramway Road, the hiring of all the operational staff and the early construction program on site. The early construction program will be mainly civil and infrastructure on the site so that it is ready for the installation of the equipment packages as they are delivered to site.

LMG expects to commence construction work on site in May 2017.

**David Paterson** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

## **About Latrobe Magnesium**

Latrobe Magnesium is developing a magnesium production plant in Victoria's Latrobe Valley using its world-first patented extraction process. LMG intends to extract and sell magnesium metal and cementitious material from industrial fly ash, which is currently a waste stream from brown coal power generation.

LMG has completed a pre-feasibility and an adjustment study validating its combined hydromet / thermal reduction process that extracts the metal. Production from its initial 3,000 tonne per annum magnesium plant is due to start in the first quarter of 2018. The plant will be in the heart of Victoria's coal power generation precinct, providing immediate access to feedstock.

LMG plans to sell the refined magnesium under long-term contracts to Australian and overseas users. Currently, Australia imports 100% of the 8,000 tonnes annually consumed.

Magnesium has the best strength-to-weight ratio of all common structural metals and is increasingly used in the manufacture of car parts, laptop computers, mobile phones and power tools.

The LMG project is at the forefront of environmental benefit – by recycling power plant waste, avoiding landfill and is a low CO<sub>2</sub> emitter.