

## NEWS RELEASE

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### COALSPUR ANNOUNCES RECEIPT OF MINERAL SURFACE LEASE

**VANCOUVER, British Columbia: Coalspur Mines Limited (“Coalspur” or “Company”) (ASX: CPL, TSX: CPT)** is pleased to announce that the Alberta Energy Regulator (“AER”) has issued a mineral surface lease (“MSL”) pursuant to the *Public Lands Act* (Alberta) for Phase 1 of the Vista project (“Vista”). The MSL is the final approval required from the AER in order to commence construction of Vista. A development permit will be sought by Coalspur from Yellowhead County prior to commencing construction.

Coalspur President and CEO, Gill Winckler, said: “We are pleased that we have now received all required AER approvals for the development of Vista. During this two and a half year regulatory approval process we have sought to work collaboratively with key stakeholders and, in particular, sought to design Vista in a way that will be mindful of, and minimize, the environmental impact that the operation will have. We remain focused on the strategic review process that we announced on 23 June 2014 and will update the market at the appropriate time determined by our board of directors”.

#### About Coalspur

Coalspur is a coal development company with approximately 55,000 hectares of coal leases located within the Hinton region of Alberta, Canada. Coalspur's flagship project is Vista, which covers approximately 10,000 hectares and provides a large scale, surface mineable, thermal coal development. Vista is located adjacent to CN Rail's main line, which is suitable for the transport of coal to deepwater ports on Canada's west coast. Coalspur has secured a port allocation agreement with Ridley Terminals Inc., which is essential to the logistics supply chain necessary to export coal from Vista to the growing demand from the Asia Pacific countries. Coalspur is currently undertaking a strategic review process in relation to Vista that was announced on 23 June 2014.

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No regulatory authority has approved or disapproved of the information contained in this release.

This release contains forward-looking information concerning Coalspur, including information regarding Coalspur's plans for financing, permitting and developing Vista. All statements in this release, other than statements of historical facts, that address events or developments that Coalspur expects to occur, are statements of forward-looking information. Although Coalspur believes that such forward-looking information is based on reasonable assumptions, such information is not a guarantee of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from the forward-looking information. Material factors or assumptions used by Coalspur to develop forward-looking information include the following: (a) additional financing for the development of Vista will be available on reasonable terms; (b) coal price and currency exchange rate assumptions; (c) regulatory approvals, permits and licences for the development, construction and operation of Vista will be obtained on a basis consistent with Coalspur's current expectations; (d) Coalspur, EPC and mining contractors will execute construction and production plans on cost and on schedule; (e) key personnel will be retained or recruited; (f) accuracy of mineral resource and reserve estimates; (g) Coalspur's title to mineral and surface rights will be maintained; (h) no significant disruptions affecting operations, whether due to labour disruptions, supply disruptions, power disruptions, damage to equipment or otherwise; and (i) Coalspur's secured creditors will continue to be supportive of the strategic process. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking information include: (i) uncertainties relating to obtaining the additional financing required for the development of Vista or successfully selling Coalspur or some for all of its assets and uncertainties related to project realization values; (ii) conditions for drawdown and other requirements under existing credit facilities, including the acceleration of debt due to events of default; (iii) fluctuations in coal prices and currency exchange rates; (iv) uncertainties regarding the receipt and conditions of regulatory approvals, permits and licences required for the development, construction and operation of Vista; (v) uncertainties relating to the ability of Coalspur, EPC or mining contractors to execute construction or production plans on cost or on schedule; (vi) uncertainties relating to the retention or recruitment of key personnel; (vii) take or pay commitments with Ridley Terminals; (viii) uncertainties in Coalspur's mineral resource or reserve estimates; (ix) any significant disruptions affecting operations; (x) uncertainties related to aboriginal claims and overlapping mineral or surface rights; and (xi) uncertainties related to general economic, market and business conditions. For more information on Coalspur, investors should review Coalspur's continuous disclosure filings that are available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and [www.asx.com.au](http://www.asx.com.au).

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