



### **ASX:CVV**

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# CARAVEL MINERALS COMPLETES A\$9.0 MILLION PLACEMENT

# **Highlights**

- Caravel has received firm commitments to raise A\$9.0 million at \$0.16 per share
- Strong investor interest as rising copper price highlights the value of largescale, long-life copper assets
- Caravel now fully funded to complete pre-feasibility studies on the Caravel Copper Project

**Caravel Minerals Limited (Caravel** or the **Company**) (ASX: **CVV**) is pleased to announce that it has received firm commitments to raise A\$9.0 million (before costs) via a share placement to institutional, sophisticated and professional investors at A\$0.16 per share, with 56.25 million new fully-paid ordinary shares to be issued (**Placement**).

Canaccord Genuity (Australia) Limited acted as Sole Lead Manager and Bookrunner to the Placement.

The Placement received strong support from existing sophisticated shareholders and new institutional investors.

Proceeds of the Placement will be used to fund the following:

- Completion of pre-feasibility study on the Caravel Copper Project;
- Exploration of the Company's other exploration projects; and
- General working capital.

#### **Placement Details**

The Placement will comprise the issue of 56.25 million new fully-paid ordinary shares ("**New Shares**") at an issue price of A\$0.16 per share, which represents a:

- 6.7% discount to the 5-day volume weighted average price ("**VWAP**") of A\$0.171 as at 19 February 2021; and
- 7.5% discount to the 15-day VWAP of A\$0.173 as at 19 February 2021.

The New Shares will be issued pursuant to the Company's existing placement capacity under ASX Listing Rules 7.1 (39,000,000) and 7.1A (17,250,000). Settlement of the Placement is expected to occur on Wednesday, 3 March 2021 and the New Shares will rank equally with the Company's existing shares on issue.

## **Caravel Copper Project**

The Caravel Copper Project is a large-scale, long-life project based on current Resources of 662Mt at 0.28% Cu, for 1.86Mt contained Cu. The project has access to high-quality infrastructure including grid power, sealed roads, well serviced towns and nearby ports. The resource is amendable to low-cost open-pit bulk mining due to low strip ratio and wide ore zones. Simple metallurgy allows standard processing to produce a clean, readily marketable concentrate. Located in a tier 1 mining jurisdiction (WA) the project is one of the few large copper resources that can be quickly brought into production to meet near-term forecast strong copper demand.

# 2021 Pre-feasibility Study work program

A number of studies completed for the 2019 Scoping Study already meet the criteria to satisfy PFS and Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) due diligence.

The PFS will be able to be delivered in a compressed timeframe by the end of 2021 including the following:

- Completion of the drilling and updated JORC resource (expected in Q3 2021)
- Geotechnical assessment
- Revised pit optimisation, mine design and schedule and reserve statement
- Detailed metallurgical and comminution testing program
- Engineering design and specification for the process plant and infrastructure
- Tailings and waste storage design studies
- Hydrology studies covering surface and ground water
- Environmental and social studies including flora and fauna surveys, noise, air quality, heritage, closure and social studies
- Preliminary mine permitting applications and preparation
- Financial analysis including capital costs, operating costs and marketing studies

This announcement is authorised for release by Managing Director, Steve Abbott.

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# ABOUT CARAVEL MINERALS

Caravel Minerals is currently engaged in feasibility studies for the development the Caravel Copper Project, a greenfields copper mining and processing project located 150km north-east of Perth in Western Australia's Wheatbelt region. The project is based on an Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resource of 661.9Mt @ 0.28% Cu (at 0.15% Cu cut-off) for a total of 1.86Mt contained copper, making it one of the largest undeveloped copper resources in Western Australia. A Scoping Study completed in 2019 by Caravel Minerals and MSP Engineering demonstrated a strong economic model for the Project and recommended proceeding with more advanced feasibility studies.

Caravel also holds a suite of exploration projects in the prospective South West Yilgarn Terrane and is rapidly advancing an exploration program to test these areas for gold and base metals.

#### **Competent Persons Statements**

The information in this report that relates to Mineral Resources is based on and fairly represents information compiled by Mr Lauritz Barnes, (Consultant with Trepanier Pty Ltd). Mr Barnes is a shareholder of Caravel Minerals. Mr Barnes is a member of both the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and the Australasian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Barnes has sufficient experience of relevance to the styles of mineralisation and types of deposits under consideration, and to the activities undertaken to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Joint Ore Reserves Committee (JORC) Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Barnes consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on information in the form and context in which they appear.

#### Previous Disclosure

The information in this report is based on the following Caravel Minerals ASX Announcements, which are available from the Caravel Minerals website www.caravelminerals.com.au and the ASX website www.asx.com.au:

- 29 April 2019 "Caravel Copper Resource and Project Update"
- 10 February 2021 "Drilling Results Bindi Copper Deposit"
- 15 February 2021 "Project Update Caravel Copper Project"

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are represented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

#### Forward Looking Statements

This document may include forward looking statements. Forward looking statements include, but are not necessarily limited to, statements concerning Caravel Minerals planned exploration programs, studies and other statements that are not historic facts. When used in this document, the words such as "could", "indicates", "plan", "estimate", "expect", "intend", "may", "potential", "should" and similar expressions are forward looking statements. Such statements involve risks and uncertainties, and no assurances can be provided that actual results or work completed will be consistent with these forward looking statements.