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## Appointment of Juan Manuel Santos as Director of Catamarca Operations

**Xantippe Resources Limited (ASX: XTC) (Xantippe, XTC, or the Company)** advises that, to capitalise on its major focus and opportunity in the Lithium and Battery Metal Project in Catamarca, Argentina, it has made key hires to its technical and project team.

XTC is progressing its project from exploration to development through its close working relationships with two prominent Argentine business families, the Arecco and Santos families.

Together, the Company will progress the project and update the market as it implements technology and business partnerships in the rapidly evolving lithium and battery metals marketplace.

In line with the strategy of strengthening its local team and connection in Argentina, Mr Juan Manuel Santos has been appointed to the Board of Xantippe as Non-Executive Director.

The integration of Australian knowledge and local Argentinian expertise has proceeded smoothly.

Juan Manuel Santos stated, "We believe that business must be done from the heart, and co-operatively, to create effective and continuous improvement that generates a positive impact on society.

"This land was staked by my father 20 years ago and we have been approached by many groups to sell our land for its Lithium prospects. We resisted those approaches in recent years for various reasons until we decided to partner with Xantippe due to their Capital Markets accessibility and technical and organizational expertise. We were introduced to them originally by the Arecco family whom we highly respect and with whom we have longstanding business relationships. We will all be totally involved in working with the communities in Catamarca and the environment. The protection of our environment will always be a priority for me, working with professionals and with the government's support we will seek benefits for all."

Imants Kins, Chairman of XTC, stated, "The Santos family has profound roots in Northern Argentina and throughout the country; I believe their knowledge of this area and its people give the Company a great appreciation of how to build a successful business here.

Having the strength of the Santos family, in particular the management expertise of Juan Manuel Santos to lead our project, gives us a competitive advantage in Catamarca and hence the battery metals industry. The Santos family has built very important business relationships with the people of Northern Argentina for many years and has received great respect from the community in which our



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project is located. Our aim is to move from exploration to development efficiently with the right people and with best practice."

This announcement has been approved for release by the Board of Xantippe Resources.

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