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Sandfire to consider expressions of interest for DeGrussa Copper Operations

Azure Capital appointed to initiate sale process

Sandfire Resources Ltd (**Sandfire** or the **Company**) advises that the Company has initiated a formal sale process for the DeGrussa Copper Operations and related exploration tenure in Western Australia (DeGrussa Project).

As flagged in the investor presentation dated 18 November 2022, the Company had commenced a strategic review into the DeGrussa Operations and exploration portfolio. DeGrussa has been a world-class copper operation for Sandfire since its discovery in 2009 and the Doolgunna region remains a highly prospective area for future discoveries of both precious and base metals.

With the recent completion of underground mining operations at DeGrussa, and Sandfire's acquisition of the MATSA Copper Operations transforming the Company into a multi-mine international copper mining business, the Company has determined that this is the appropriate time to assess all commercial opportunities, including potential sale.

Sandfire has appointed Perth-based Azure Capital to assist the Company with the process. Sandfire emphasises that this process may or may not result in the divestment of the project. The Company will assess potential offers and determine whether any sale would realise an acceptable commercial outcome for Sandfire and its shareholders.

Sandfire is seeking to divest the DeGrussa Project inclusive of the Old Highway Gold Project and associated Bryah Basin gold exploration tenements, the DeGrussa and Monty underground mines and associated near-mine tenements, oxide stockpiles and tailings dam mineral inventory and other property, plant and equipment.

Sandfire's Acting CEO and Chief Operating Officer, Jason Grace said: 'DeGrussa has been an outstanding cornerstone asset for Sandfire during the first decade of its growth and success as a mid-tier mining company. After receiving several unsolicited expressions of interest to acquire the DeGrussa package, we have decided that it is in our best commercial interests to initiate a formal sale process. This is consistent with our recent portfolio transformation and our strategic focus on long-life assets in Tier-1 locations.'

'As previously announced, the processing of selected transitional stockpiles and mineralised waste from DeGrussa commenced in November 2022. Plant scale trials on processing of oxide copper stockpiles have also been completed, and the results of these trials are being assessed to potentially support further extension of processing at DeGrussa beyond January 2023.'

Mr Grace added: 'Aligned with our approach to responsible business practices and our strong commitment to the environment, we have also commenced early rehabilitation works at Monty. Our rehabilitation and closure plans for the DeGrussa Copper Operations will continue to be refined by further, detailed stakeholder consultation.'

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