# ASX Announcement 28 September 2023



# PRIORITY TARGETS IDENTIFIED AT MARSHALL URANIUM PROJECT

### **Key Highlights**

- 3D inversion of historical geophysical datasets completed<sup>1</sup>
  - Multiple priority anomalies identified above and below the Athabasca unconformity in both sandstone and basement stratigraphy at Marshall
- Positive uranium market sentiment continues to build, with U3O8 SPOT price exceeding US\$70/Lb
- Work continues at Geikie Project following maiden drilling program, with airborne gravity survey results expected in October
- · Basin remains funded for next round of exploration drilling

Basin Energy Limited (**ASX:BSN**) ('**Basin**' or the '**Company**') is pleased to provide an update on its Marshall Project (the '**Project**') located in the southeastern part of the world-class Athabasca Basin (Figure 1).

As part of our ongoing assessment of the Project, the Company engaged geophysical experts Computational Geosciences Inc. and Convolutions Geoscience to conduct modern 3D inversion and processing works of historic geophysical data. This work has identified multiple geophysical anomalies above and below the Athabasca unconformity within the sandstone and basement stratigraphy at the Marshall Project. The identification of these anomalies is highly encouraging given that little exploration has ever been conducted on these tenements. Basin will utilise these interpretations as a basis for future exploration works, in conjunction with the ongoing works at Geikie.

Basin's Managing Director, Pete Moorhouse, commented "Basin has continued advancing the Marshall Project through the reprocessing of historic geophysical data – this is a continuation of the recently updated work at North Millennium which identified a significant unconformity target.

The identified sandstone conductivity anomalies, with corresponding basement anomalies provide immediate targets for Athabasca unconformity and basement hosted uranium mineralisation exploration and we are very excited with the results from the review of the historical data.

Combined with Basin's recent work at North Millennium, the studies support our prospectivity analysis for this area, located within the heartland of the traditional uranium discoveries of the eastern Athabasca

With  $U_3O_8$  spot prices continuing to surge, we are positioning Basin in the enviable position of having multiple top-quality exploration targets in the world's best uranium jurisdiction."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer ASX Prospectus dated 13 October 2022.



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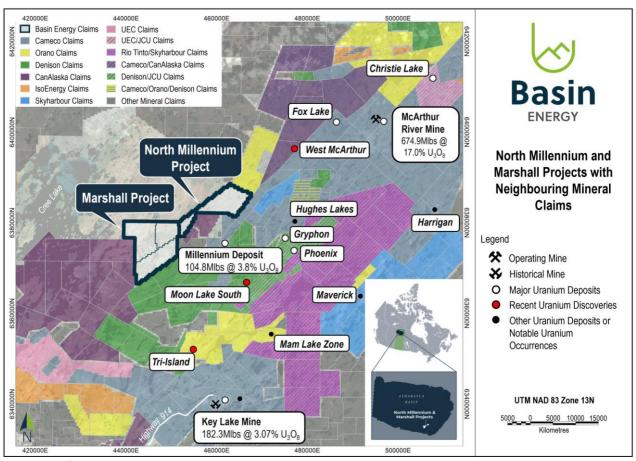


Figure 1<sup>2</sup>: North Millennium and Marshall tenements with neighbouring tenements and uranium deposits.

#### **Current Interpretation of the Marshall Project**

The 100% owned Marshall project is located in the southeastern portion of the Athabasca Basin and situated 11 km west of the Millennium deposit, around 50 km southwest of the McArthur River mine.

Minimal historical mineral exploration at the Project occurred between 1979 to 2012, and there are no known historical exploration drill holes. Historical geophysical exploration work was limited to regional-scale airborne surveys, and small-scale airborne and ground-based electromagnetic surveys.

The depth of the unconformity is estimated to be between 700 and 900 metres. Z-Tipper Axis Electromagnetics ("ZTEM") was the only geophysical method used to date that appears to accurately detect the location of graphitic basement conductors.

The Marshall Project is centred on an arc-shape magnetic low feature outlined by airborne and ground geophysics. Interpretation of ZTEM and Transient Electromagnetic survey data shows conductive anomalies along the edge of the magnetic low and suggests a deep-rooted fold bearing conductive layers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer ASX Prospectus dated 22 August 2022 for resource figures quoted.





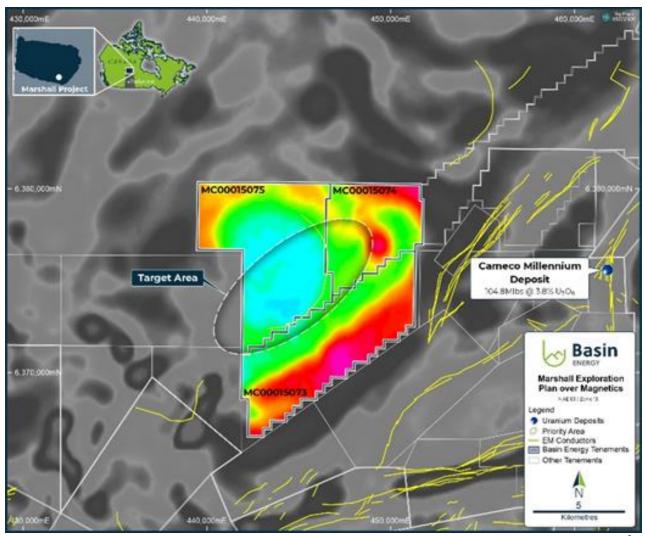


Figure 2: Marshall Project Exploration Plans (left) and Cameco's Millennium Deposit type section (right)<sup>3</sup>.

#### 3D Inversion of ZTEM data

Computational Geosciences Inc. was contracted to invert a ZTEM dataset collected over Kodiak Exploration's historical McTavish project partially covering the Marshall mineral claims (Figure 3 and 4). ZTEM is an airborne electromagnetic geophysical technique which detects anomalies in the earth's natural magnetic field. ZTEM surveys are designed to map resistivity contrasts to great depths, exceeding 1-2 km, making the technique well-suited to unconformity related uranium mineralisation exploration in the Marshall Project area.

3D models of electric conductivity have been produced, accounting for survey geometry and topography, and constrained by a basin-wide unconformity surface. The ZTEM inversion model 200 m below the modelled unconformity surface shows strong conductive anomalies along the edge of the





magnetic low (Figure 3) Basin is currently interpreting this arc-shape feature as a deep-rooted fold reminiscent of Mudjatik deformation events. In addition to this, the data highlights a set of north northwest conductive anomalies which are interpreted as possible cross-cutting conductive structures. ZTEM 3D inversion 200 m above the unconformity (Figure 4) shows a number of relative conductivity anomalies in the sandstone, including a NE-SW structure set also highlighted by magnetic data. Basin interprets this to represent the potential presence of alteration within the sandstone, which could have been caused by mineralizing fluids breaching the unconformity contact.

The northeast trending conductive feature in the sandstone, parallel to the general Wollaston trend, and the crosscutting north northwest conductive structure set in the basement provide the main target on the Marshall Project for Athabasca unconformity style mineralisation.

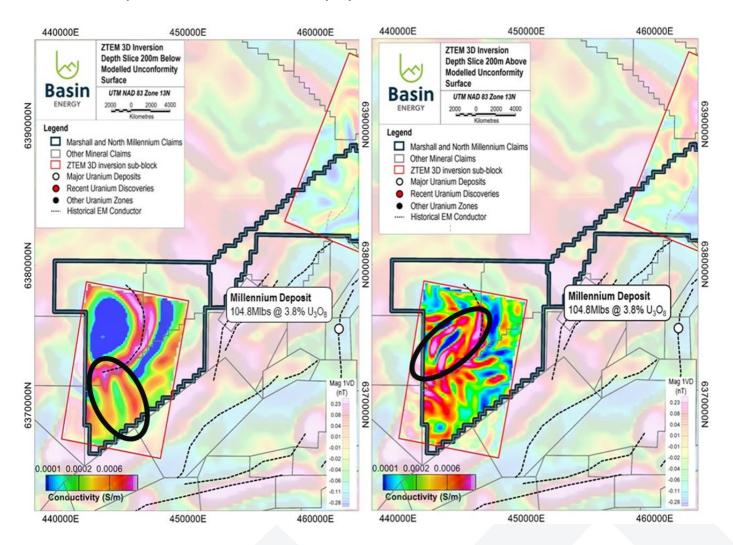


Figure 3 (left): 3D inversion ZTEM depth slice 200m below modelled unconformity surface over first vertical derivative magnetics

Figure 4 (right): 3D inversion ZTEM depth slice 200m above modelled unconformity surface over first vertical derivative magnetics





#### **Next Steps**

The Company has now completed review of both the Marshall and neighbouring North Millenium Projects<sup>4</sup>, and plan to streamline exploration efforts to advance both Projects simultaneously. Next steps for the will likely include Stepwise Moving Loop Time-Domain Electromagnetic (SWML TDEM) surveys combined with Direct Current Resistivity and Induced Polarisation (DCIP) focusing on the priority areas highlighted in figures 2 to 4. Electrical and electromagnetic methods are commonly used in the Athabasca region to detect subsurface geological targets often associated with uranium mineralisation. Such geological targets include large graphitic conductors and the mapping of faults and fracture zones. Both SWML TDEM and DCIP methods are ground-based surveys, offering smaller scale coverage with higher resolution geophysical imagery.

This announcement has been approved for release by the Board of Basin Energy.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Refer ASX release dated 15 September 2023.





### **Company Overview**

## **About Basin Energy**

Basin Energy (ASX: **BSN**) is a uranium exploration and development company with an interest in three highly prospective projects positioned in the southeast corner and margins of the world-renowned Athabasca Basin in Canada.

## **Directors & Management**

Pete Moorhouse Managing Director

Blake Steele Non-executive Chairman

Cory Belyk Non-executive Director

Jeremy Clark Non-executive Director

Peter Bird Non-executive Director

Ben Donovan NED & Company Secretary

Odile Maufrais Exploration Manager

## **Basin Energy**

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#### **Projects**

North Millennium Geikie Marshall

#### **Shares on Issue**

81,229,697

## **Options**

13,300,000

#### **ASX Code**

**BSN** 





## **Investment Highlights**



Direct exposure to high grade uranium within the world class uranium mining district of the Athabasca Basin, Saskatchewan, Canada – a top three global uranium producer for over 45 years



**Experienced and dedicated team** with relevant uranium exploration and development track record



Walk-up exploration targets with permitting in place to commence exploration concurrently with IPO and to be drilling within 6 months



Uranium is a re-emerging clean energy source, leveraged to the global low carbon economy megatrends



Leveraging an extensive high-quality geological database assembled over decades, with significant recent exploration success



Committed to sustainable resource development and minimising environmental impact



Strategically located near world-class highgrade uranium discoveries, mining and processing operations with a constant uranium mining industry for 65 years



Located in Saskatchewan, a globally attractive and proven mining jurisdiction – Ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in Fraser Institute 2021 global mining investment attractiveness index





## **Appendix 1**

# **Competent Persons Statement, Resource Figure Notes and Forward Looking Statement**

The information in this announcement that relates to exploration results was first reported by the Company in accordance with ASX listing rule 5.7 in the Company's prospectus dated 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 and announced on the ASX market platform on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022, and data announced in subsequent ASX press releases by Basin Energy relating to exploration activities. The information included within this release is a fair representation of available information compiled by Odile Maufrais, M.Sc., a competent person who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Odile Maufrais is employed by Basin Energy Ltd as Exploration Manager. Odile Maufrais has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the Australasian Code of Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Odile Maufrais consents to the inclusion in this presentation of the matters based on his work in the form and context in which it appears.

All resource figures shown within this document of deposits within the Athabasca, unless stated are quoted from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Tecdoc 1857. Resources are global and include mined resource and all classification of remaining resource. Resource Size  $(U_3O_8)$  is the amount of contained uranium (in Mlbs  $U_3O_8$ ) and average grade (in %  $U_3O_8$ ) of the deposit/system. This number is presented without a specific cut-off grade, as the cut-off value differs from deposit to deposit and is dependent on resource calculation specifications. Discrepancies between values in this field and other values in the public domain may be due to separate cut-off values used, or updated values since the writing of this document. For system entries, the values for the size were obtained by adding the individual deposits values whereas average grade values were derived using a weighted average of the individual deposits.

This announcement includes certain "Forward-looking Statements". The words "forecast", "estimate", "like", "anticipate", "project", "opinion", "should", "could", "may", "target" and other similar expressions are intended to identify forward looking statements. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, included herein, including without limitation, statements regarding forecast cash flows and future expansion plans and development objectives of Basin Energy involve various risks and uncertainties. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements.





## **Appendix 2**

## 1 JORC CODE, 2012 EDITION - TABLE 1 REPORT

## 1.1 Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

Data in this Table 1 refers to 3D inversion modelling of historical geophysical data. All other information referenced was disclosed within the Basin Energy prospectus lodged with the ASX 22/08/2022 and subsequent ASX exploration updates.

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (e.g., cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc.). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</li> <li>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</li> <li>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</li> <li>In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (e.g., 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases, more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (e.g., submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Results reported relate to 3D inversion modelling of two historical ZTEM datasets collected by Geotech Ltd. over the Owl lake and McTavish areas within the Athabasca Basin located in northern Saskatchewan. The two surveys partially cover the North Millennium and Marshall projects.</li> <li>The modelling accounts for survey geometry and topography. SRTM elevation data at 1 arcsecond resolution was used to build a digital elevation model for the area of interest and the surrounding area.</li> <li>3D models of electric conductivity have been produced that fit in-phase and quadrature tipper data at all six frequencies to a reasonable degree.</li> <li>The modelling domain was discretized by an OcTreemesh with smallest cells of size 75m x75m x37.5m at the surface of the area of interest.</li> <li>The deliverables include an unconstrained model as well as a constrained model by estimating of the unconformity surface separating the metamorphic craton and sedimentary rocks of the basin for each area of interest:</li> <li>Unconstrained Upper Bound 100 S/m         <ul> <li>Basin Sediments Upper Bound 0.01</li> <li>Basin Sediments Lower Bound 0.001</li> <li>Basement Upper Bound 0.1</li> <li>Basement Upper Bound 0.001</li> <li>Basement Lower Bound 0.0001</li> </ul> </li> <li>In-phase and quadrature of both tipper vector components Tzx and Tzy and of all six frequencies was used for the inversion.</li> <li>The inversions applied standard L2</li> </ul>



Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
		regularization with isotropic smoothness weights.  • Separating the noise from the signal is a subjective process; therefore, the delivered inversion results have been chosen based on a reasonable tradeoff between fitting the data, and not introducing spurious structure in the model.
Drilling techniques	Drill type (e.g., core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc.) and details (e.g., core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc.).	Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.
Drill sample recovery	<ul> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> <li>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</li> <li>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</li> </ul>	Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.
Logging	<ul> <li>Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.</li> <li>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc.) photography.</li> <li>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</li> </ul>	Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.
Sub- sampling techniques and	<ul> <li>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</li> <li>If non-core, whether riffled,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.</li> </ul>





Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	tube sampled, rotary split, etc. and whether sampled wet or dry.  • For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.  • Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.  • Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in-situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.  • Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.  • The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.  • For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc., the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.  • Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g., standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (i.e., lack of bias) and precision have been	Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.
Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul> <li>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</li> <li>The use of twinned holes.</li> <li>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic)</li> </ul>	Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.



Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
	<ul><li>protocols.</li><li>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</li></ul>	
Location of data points	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>Specification of the grid system used.</li> <li>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The historical ZTEM surveys were collected in WGS84 datum, UTM zone 13N.</li> <li>The 3D inversion models were processed and delivered in the same datum and coordinate system.</li> </ul>
Data spacing and distribution	<ul> <li>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.</li> <li>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The historical ZTEM data was collected at a nominal flight spacing of 400 m.</li> <li>Flight lines were oriented NW-SE, an orientation perpendicular to the principal strike direction inferred from regional magnetic data.</li> </ul>
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul> <li>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</li> <li>If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.</li> </ul>	See above.
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	<ul> <li>Not applicable to 3D inversion modelling of historical ZTEM data.</li> </ul>
Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	<ul> <li>Data was reviewed by Computational Geosciences and appeared to be mostly free from significant sources of noise after visual inspection and after examination of the power line monitor. The data was deemed suitable for 3D inversion modelling.</li> <li>Careful data preparation and assignment of standard deviations has allowed the inversions to perform well at separating the noise from the signal in the data. This allowed mostly clean</li> </ul>



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		signal to direct the structure and distribution of the physical property models.

## 1.2 Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

Criteria iisted iii Criteria	the preceding section also apply to JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Mineral tenement and land tenure status	<ul> <li>Type, reference         name/number, location and         ownership including         agreements or material         issues with third parties such         as joint ventures,         partnerships, overriding         royalties, native title         interests, historical sites,         wilderness or national park         and environmental settings.</li> <li>The security of the tenure         held at the time of reporting         along with any known         impediments to obtaining a         license to operate in the         area.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The North Millennium Project, located in Northern Saskatchewan, Canada, consists of 1 mineral claims: <ul> <li>MC00014967</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Marshall Project, located in Northern Saskatchewan, Canada, consists of 3 mineral claims: <ul> <li>MC00015073</li> <li>MC00015074</li> <li>MC00015075</li> </ul> </li> <li>All claims are in good standing and subject to the standard and transparent renewal processes.</li> <li>The Projects are currently held 40% by Basin Energy and 60% by TSX-V listed CanAlaska.</li> <li>Basin has an Earn in agreement up to 80%</li> <li>Upon Basin reaching 80% ownership, CVV will hold a 2.75% NSR with a buy back option of 0.5%</li> </ul>
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	<ul> <li>Mineral exploration was active in the Projects area from 1979 to 2012.</li> <li>Historical exploration on the Marshall and North Millennium properties consisted of limited uranium exploration.</li> <li>Work on the North Millennium project area include:         <ul> <li>SMD/Cameco carried the majority of the work with lake sediment geochemistry, sandstone boulder geochemistry and SWIR spectrometry, airborne magnetic and electromagnetic (INPUT) surveys, ground geophysics (UTEM).</li> <li>CanAlaska Uranium carried out a VTEM survey that covered the western part of the property accompanied by lake sediment and sandstone boulder geochemistry and SWIR spectrometry.</li> <li>MEGATEM and ZTEM surveys by Cogema/Areva covered the northern part of the property.</li> <li>a ZTEM survey by Kodiak Exploration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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		covered a portion of the western part of the property.  No drilling is known to have occurred on the property.  Work on the Marshall project area include:  Lake sediment geochemistry, sandstone boulder geochemistry and SWIR spectrometry, airborne magnetic and electromagnetic (INPUT) surveys, and ground geophysics (EM37, a TDEM survey).  A ZTEM survey by Kodiak Exploration covered a large part of the property.  CanAlaska Uranium carried out a VTEM survey that covered the majority of the property accompanied by lake sediment and sandstone boulder geochemistry and SWIR spectrometry.  No drilling is known to have occurred on the property.
Geology	<ul> <li>Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.</li> </ul>	The project is deemed prospective for sandstone-hosted and basement-hosted unconformity-related uranium mineralization.
Drill hole Information	<ul> <li>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:         <ul> <li>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</li> <li>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</li> <li>dip and azimuth of the hole</li> <li>down hole length and interception depth</li> <li>hole length.</li> </ul> </li> <li>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No drilling is known to have occurred on the property.</li> <li>No material information has been excluded.</li> </ul>





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Data aggregation methods	<ul> <li>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (e.g., cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</li> <li>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</li> <li>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</li> </ul>	Not applicable – No uranium mineralisation is being reported.
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<ul> <li>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</li> <li>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (e.g., 'down hole length, true width not known').</li> </ul>	Not Applicable – No uranium mineralisation is being reported.
Diagrams	Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.	Not applicable – no significant discoveries are being reported.
Balanced reporting	Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration	<ul> <li>It is the company's opinion that a balanced representation of the early-stage exploration data is being presented.</li> </ul>



Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
	Results.	
Other substantive exploration data	<ul> <li>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples         <ul> <li>size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	All relevant exploration data has been reported.
Further work	<ul> <li>The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g., tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or largescale step-out drilling).</li> <li>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Next steps for the Projects could include:</li> <li>Stepwise Moving Loop Time-Domain Electromagnetic (SWML TDEM) ground surveys</li> <li>Direct Current Resistivity and Induced Polarisation (DCIP) ground surveys</li> <li>Diamond drilling.</li> </ul>

