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# **Appointment of Non-Executive Director**

Aurora Energy Metals Limited (Aurora or the Company) (ASX:1AE) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr John Gardner as a Non-Executive Director of the Company, effective immediately.

John has more than 25 years' experience developing strategy and providing advisory services in investor relations, communication, financial public relations, corporate reputation and business development in Sydney, Perth and London.

Mr Gardner is an experienced Non-Executive Director and strategic advisor in the corporate and not-forprofit sectors, including experience in Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) issues, advice and reporting.

His career has included working with clients in the energy and resources, mining services, building, infrastructure, engineering, financial and professional services, telecommunications, technology and agriculture sectors.

More specifically, John has advised several uranium focused companies over his career, including Extract Resources (acquired), Vimy Resources (acquired), Toro Energy and Deep Yellow.

He has provided strategic communication counsel on a range of highly successful corporate transactions, complex board matters, issues and crises, and high-profile litigation communication. He has also held in-house investor relations and corporate communication roles with ASX-listed companies.

Mr Gardner is currently a Board Director with the WA Cricket Foundation and IQ Wellness Group Pty Ltd and is a Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (MAICD).

*Chairman Peter Lester commenting on the appointment:* "Aurora is excited to welcome John on board, bringing with him a wealth of experience in investor relations and corporate and strategic advisory in the energy and mining space. John joins us as an exciting time with a Scoping Study soon to be completed on the Aurora Energy Metals Project set amidst mounting interest in the uranium space and the strong underlying commodity price, evidenced by the recent price breakthrough of US\$100/lb."

 

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## **Option Issue**

The Company advises that it has resolved to issue a total of 1,800,000 unlisted options to directors of the Company under its Employee Incentive Scheme. The issue of options to Mr John Gardner and Mr Alasdair Cooke is in lieu of 12-months cash consideration that would otherwise have been provided to the directors, conserving cash and providing continued alignment between shareholders and the Board of Directors in appreciating the Company's share price.

The options will be with the following key terms, and are the same class of options issued under the July 2022 equity raising:

- Exercise price: 15 cents
- Expiry: 30 June 2026
- Vest: Quarterly instalments, in arrears

The issue of options will be subject to shareholder approval at a forthcoming General Meeting of the Company.

# THIS ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN AUTHORISED FOR RELEASE ON THE ASX BY THE COMPANY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## ABOUT AURORA ENERGY METALS

Aurora Energy Metals is an ASX-listed company focused on the exploration and development of its flagship, the 100 per cent owned Aurora Energy Metals Project in south-east Oregon, USA. Boasting the USA's largest, mineable, measured and indicated uranium deposit (MRE: 107.3Mt @ 214ppm  $U_3O_8$  for 50.6 Mlbs  $U_3O_8$ ) with known lithium mineralisation in lakebed sediments above and surrounding the well-defined uranium deposit, the Company's vision is to supply minerals that are critical to the USA's energy transition.

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CAPITAL STRUCTURE: Share Price (31/1/24): \$0.135 Market Cap: \$24 million Shares on Issue: 179 million

COMPANY SECRETARY: Steven Jackson

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Peter Lester: Non-Executive Chairman Greg Cochran: Managing Director Alasdair Cooke: Non-Executive Director John Gardner: Non-Executive Director

## SHAREHOLDERS:

Directors: 15% Management: 13% Institutional shareholders: 10% Balance of Top 20: 14% Balance of Register: 48%

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