

## Appointment of New Chair

**Summit Minerals Limited (ASX:SUM)** (“**Summit**” or the “**Company**”) is pleased to advise that Mr Peter Allen has been appointed as Non-Executive Chair of Summit, effective from 31 December 2024.

Mr Allen is a mining executive with over 20 years’ experience in developing and implementing strategies for the exploration, development, and marketing of manganese, lithium, and other critical minerals essential to modern industries.

Since 2021, he has served as Managing Director of Firebird Metals Limited (ASX:FRB), where he has spearheaded the company’s exploration initiatives, driven significant resource growth, and guided its strategic focus toward downstream battery-grade manganese sulphate development. Under his leadership, Firebird has successfully completed capital raises, cultivated strong relationships with key stakeholders, and secured cornerstone investors for its critical mineral projects.

Previously, Mr Allen held the role of Managing Director of Marketing at Consolidated Minerals Limited, overseeing the marketing operations of the Woodie Woodie manganese mine in Western Australia and the Nsuta manganese mine in Ghana. He also contributed significantly to feasibility studies and product marketing for junior explorers and developers, including Element 25 (ASX:E25) Butcherbird Manganese Project, Gulf Manganese Corporation (ASX:GMC) Indonesia Manganese Specialty Alloy Project, and AVZ Minerals (ASX:AVZ), a company focused on the Manono Lithium Project.

Mr Allen’s expertise lies in driving growth and innovation in the critical minerals sector while building sustainable partnerships to advance global resource development.

Mr Peretz Schapiro and Mr Bishoy Habib have tendered their resignations from the Company as Non-Executive Chair and Non-Executive Director respectively, effective from 31 December 2024, due to personal and other business commitments.

**Summit’s Managing Director, Gower He, commented:**

*“On behalf of the entire Board, I would like to thank Peretz and Bishoy for their invaluable contribution and commitment to the Company since their appointments. It has helped solidify the company as a serious contender in the Niobium space, we wish them the best in their future endeavours.*

*I welcome our new Chairman, Mr Peter Allen, who has a significant amount of experience within the mining sector, taking exploration projects into development and beyond. I look forward to working with him closely to create significant shareholder value through our highly prospective asset portfolio in Brazil.”*

This announcement has been approved by the Board of Directors.

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**About Summit Minerals Limited**

Summit Minerals Limited is an Australian-focused ASX-listed battery mineral exploration Company with a portfolio of projects in demand-driven commodities. It is focused on systematically exploring and developing its projects to delineate multiple JORC-compliant resources.

Summit's projects include the Niobium, REE and Lithium projects in Brazil, Castor Lithium Project in the prolific James Bay District, Quebec, Canada, and the Phillips River Lithium Project in Ravensthorpe, WA. Through focus, diligence and execution, the Board of Summit Minerals is determined to unlock previously unrealised value in our projects.



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