



**Bligh Resources
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for Mr Xu)

Issued Capital:
Shares: 57,475,720
Unlisted Opts: 16,000,000
(Escrowed)

ASX Symbol: BGH

Currently Exploring for:

- Manganese
- Gold

Current Projects:

- Kumarina
- Bootu Creek Two
- Grenfell
- Manilla
- Leonora

Mr Noel Halgreen **(Ex VP Business Development BHP Billiton Coal)** **appointed as Non-Executive-Chairman**

The board and management of Bligh Resources Limited (ASX: BGH) are delighted to announce the appointment of Mr. Noel Halgreen as the company's Non-Executive Chairman. At the same time Mr Rob Benussi will step down as Executive Chairman to focus on his role as Managing Director Corporate.

Mr Halgreen is an immensely qualified and highly experienced appointment who has spent most of his career as a senior global operations and corporate development executive, encompassing more than 30 years' experience in all facets of mining. He has held senior positions with a host of major international mining groups, with a specific focus in the bulk commodity sector.

Mr Rob Benussi said: "Bligh has been fortunate to have attracted such a highly experience Non-Executive director to the board. It is significant that someone with such a strong corporate and operational background is joining the company."

"I am looking forward to working with the Bligh Resources team. Rob Benussi and his fellow board members have built a terrific exploration platform and I am excited about helping to build on this and enhance and fully develop Bligh's project base," said Mr Halgreen.

Some of Mr Halgreen's former appointments include:

- **Vice President Business Development – BHP Billiton Coal (2001 – 2005)**
- **Executive Director Business Development – Billiton Coal (1995 – 2001)**
- Executive Director – Trans Natal Coal Corporation (1991 – 1995)
- Chief Operating Officer – Sasol Coal (1986 – 1991)
- Various General Manager positions within the industry

Noel is a qualified mining engineer with more than 30 years of resource industry experience. With senior business development positions within Trans Natal Coal Corporation, Billiton and a long career with BHP Billiton, he brings a strong record of achievement on several key major resource project developments, mergers, acquisitions and commercial negotiations across the Australian and international resources industry.

Mr Halgreen also has extensive international corporate development, operational and marketing experience, with an emphasis on South America, Indonesia and Africa, with major resource groups including BHP Billiton, Billiton and Sasol.

Robert J Benussi
Executive Director

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About Bligh Resources

Bligh Resources Limited (ASX Code: BGH) is a listed public company focused on the exploration and development of manganese projects in Australia. The company holds almost 1,500km² of highly prospective tenements throughout Australia.

Bligh Resources' tenements are located in the following areas and are all granted:

- The Newman and Eastern Goldfields region of Western Australia
- Near the towns of Grenfell and Manilla in New South Wales
- Near Bootu Creek in the Northern Territory

Bligh Resources' strategy has been to secure projects which are near to established infrastructure so possible future development and resource recovery are not hampered by uneconomic infrastructure investment. Bligh Resources continues to assess the acquisition of additional tenements, farm-in arrangements, and Joint Venture Agreements that enhance its portfolio of projects.