## ASX Announcement 28 February 2014

# Matrix Metals completes "company changing" acquisition

**Highlights:** 

- Transaction to acquire private company, Caeneus Minerals Pty Ltd, successfully completed,
- Completion of transaction follows approval by shareholders on 25 February 2014,
- Board restructure has occurred, consideration shares issued and name change in progress, and
- Active exploration program planned at Super Nova Project, located within Albany-Fraser Mobile Belt in Western Australia.

#### Matrix Metals Limited ACN 082 593 235

Australian Securities Exchange Code: MRX

**Ordinary shares** 612,301,330

#### **Unlisted Options**

40,000,000 (exercise price of \$0.005; expiry date of 31 Dec 2016) 306,150,001 (exercise price of \$0.03; expiry date of 28 Feb 2017)

#### **Board of Directors**

Mr Thomas Alabakis Mr Anthony (Tony) Sage Mr Jefferey Hamilton Mr Martin Dormer

Perth based exploration company Matrix Metals Limited (ASX: MRX) ("Matrix" or the "Company") is pleased to confirm that completion of the transaction to acquire private company Caeneus Minerals Pty Ltd (Caeneus) has occurred.

As announced on 24 December 2013, Matrix reached agreement to acquire 100% of the issued share capital of Caeneus in exchange for the issuance of 306,150,001 Matrix shares to Caeneus shareholders, plus one attaching unlisted option exercisable at \$0.03 each within three (3) years from the date of issue (refer ASX announcement dated 24 December 2013 for more information).

As part of this agreement it was also contemplated that the Company name would be changed from Matrix Metals Ltd to Caeneus Minerals Ltd and that the board of Matrix would be restructured, with two Caeneus representatives joining the board and one existing Matrix director resigning his position. In addition, Mr Keith Bowker replaces Ms Claire Tolcon as Company Secretary.

This transaction was put to Matrix shareholders at a General Meeting on 25 February 2014, where all resolutions were passed by the requisite majority on a show of hands (refer ASX announcement dated 25 February 2014).

Subsequent to shareholder approval, all consideration shares and options have been issued and the reconstructed board now consists of:

- Mr Thomas Alabakis (non-executive Chairman)
- Mr Anthony (Tony) Sage (non-executive Director)
- Mr Jefferey Hamilton (non-executive Director)
- Mr Martin Dormer (non-executive Director)

A detailed biography of the new directors and company secretary can be found in the appendix.

As a result of the completion of this transaction the assets of the Company now consist of the Super Nova Project and the Mt Davis Tenements.

### **Super Nova Project**

The Super Nova Project is located on tenement E69/3066 approximately 125 kilometres east of the gold mining town of Norseman in Western Australia within the Albany-Fraser Mobile Belt, which hosts the Fraser Complex. This area has emerged as a new nickel province after the discovery of the Nova-Bollinger deposits by Sirius Resources, only 23 kilometres from the Super Nova Project.

Caeneus currently has an option agreement with the right to acquire 100% of the legal and beneficial interest in the Super Nova Project through payment of A\$65,000 on or before the expiry date of 14 April 2014. The Company will now move to fulfil that option.

Very little exploration has been carried out to date on the tenement; however Caeneus recently commenced field work with a geochemical soils program targeting magmatic nickel sulphides. The east-west program comprised 150 samples with 100m spacing over 400m spaced lines. Samples were submitted to Quantum Analytical Laboratories in Welshpool for multi element analysis. Results revealed a multi-element soil anomaly centred over the area of the quarry where intrusive mafic rocks outcrop. The program identified a positive area some 2km long and 300m wide with coincident Ni, Cu, Cr and Co that warrants additional investigation.

Further work programs will include more detailed infill soil sampling and rock-chip sampling in the short term, to be followed with a combination of detailed magnetic, gravity and electromagnetic surveying to delineate subsurface primary sulphide mineralisation and provide more discrete targets for drilling.

#### **Mt Davis Tenements**

Caeneus also owns a portfolio of exploration holdings, known as the Mt Davis Tenements, near Leonora in Western Australia. Mt Davis comprises eight contiguous prospecting licences totalling 1287ha, formerly held by Jupiter Mines Ltd (Jupiter) and then Bligh Resources Ltd (Bligh).

The Leonora area has a long and rich gold mining history and the geology for the Mt Davis tenements has gold mineralisation associated with pyritic quartz veins in sheared mafic volcanics. The tenements are situated approximately 6km southeast of the Tarmoola Gold Mine that has produced over 3M oz of gold. The leases run parallel to the northwest to southeast trending mafic units that host the Tarmoola Deposit. P37/7803 surrounds (but does not include) the historic Grattan Well mining centre.

The western sector of the Mt Davis area is underlain by a north-northwest trending sequence of metamorphosed high magnesium basalts, dolerite-gabbro intrusives and ultramafic lenses, which occupy areas of low relief often covered by superficial alluvium and soil. Over the eastern sector of the property, high relief strike ridges formed of steep easterly dipping banded chert and jaspilite are enclosed by less resistant strongly foliated volcaniclastic metasediments, inter-layered by felsic volcanics and minor mafic and ultramafic flows.

The regionally significant Mt George fault structure is interpreted to run through the property in a northnorthwest direction and to mark the contact zone between mafic and ultramafic volcanic and intrusive rocks to the west and metasediments, banded chert horizons and felsic volcanic sequences to the east. This major shear zone manifests itself as a series of parallel shears; the southwest shear running through the small Grattan Well open-cut is called the Grattan Well shear, the central is referred to as the Clifford shear, while the easterly is known as the Mt George fault structure and is associated with gold mineralisation at Mt Davis. Commenting on the completion of the transaction Mr Dormer said, "The Matrix board is pleased that this transaction has completed and looks forward to updating shareholders in due course with the results of its activities on its newly acquired assets."

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# Appendix

## **Biography of New Directors**

Mr Martin Dormer is a geologist with over 17 years' experience in nickel, gold, and base metal exploration, resource development, and mining. He holds a BSc from the West Australian School of Mines in Mineral Exploration and Mining Geology and is a member of the Australian Institute if Mining and Metallurgy.

Mr Dormer has extensive experience in Australia and West Africa in exploration management positions with Naracoota Resources Ltd, Ishine International Resources Limited and Athena Resources Ltd. Mr Dormer held the position of Senior Exploration Geologist with Mincor Resources NL working on both the Kambalda Dome and Widgiemooltha Dome targeting exploration programs in and around Miitel, Mariners, Redross, Wannaway, Otter-Juan, McMahons, Durkin, and Coronet Nickel Mines. He has also worked as a Senior Geologist with BHP Biliton's Nickel West Pty Ltd in the well-endowed Agnew-Wiluna Belt at Perseverance and Mt Keith Nickel Mines.

Mr Thomas Alabakis is an executive with extensive experience gained over the last thirty years in the International Corporate arena. He qualified as an Australian Chartered Accountant and has held positions in international conglomerates, such as Western Mining Corporation, Shell Group and RJR Nabisco.

Mr Alabakis has served on a number of Boards in executive positions in listed entities on the Singapore, Malaysian and Australian Stock Exchanges and is experienced in substantial capital raising activities in Malaysia, Singapore and the Middle East.

Mr Alabakis was involved in the start-up and launch of Iridium, the world's first and only fully global satellite telephony and constellation system. He was subsequently instrumental in the restructuring of Iridium out of Chapter 11 in the USA into a privately owned company. Iridium is now relisted on the NYSE.

Currently Mr Alabakis serves as a non-executive Director of a private investment vehicle owned by a member of the Saudi Royal Family.

Mr Alabakis will contribute significant experience and working knowledge of USA, African, Middle East and Asian business environments.

#### **Biography of New Company Secretary**

Mr Keith Bowker is a Chartered Accountant and is a founding director of Somerville Corporate, a firm which provides financial reporting, compliance and corporate advisory services.