

LODESTAR TO RAISE \$2.2 MILLION

FUNDS TO FURTHER ADVANCE EXPLORATION PROGRAMME AT THE COMPANY'S PROJECTS IN CHILE AND EXPLORE FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES IN CHILE

Highlights:

- Lodestar to raise \$2.2 million in a two-tranche placement
- Funding to advance exploration in Chile and assess new opportunities
- Loyalty options to be issued to existing shareholders

Western Australian gold explorer Lodestar Minerals Limited (**ASX: LSR**) (**Lodestar** or **the Company**) is pleased to advise that the Company has appointed Oakley Capital Partners Pty Limited (**Oakley**) as lead manager and corporate advisor for a 2 tranche capital raising. Lodestar will raise, subject to shareholder approval, a total of \$2.2m to advance its existing exploration programs and for working capital purposes.

The first tranche will comprise the issue of 79,166,667 shares at \$0.006 per share to raise \$475,000 before costs. This raise will be completed pursuant to the Company's available Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A capacities. The shares will be issued to sophisticated and professional investor clients of Oakley and pursuant to s708A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The second tranche of the placement will be subject to shareholder approval at a general meeting. The second tranche raising will comprise the issue of 345,000,000 shares at a price of \$0.005 per share to raise \$1,725,000 before costs. This placement will also be made to sophisticated and professional investor clients of Oakley pursuant to s708A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

As a component of the 2 tranche capital raising, two (2) options will be issued for every three (3) shares applied for, amounting to a total of 282,777,778 options. The issue of the options is subject to receiving shareholder approval. Each option will be exercisable at \$0.01 with an expiry 4 years from the date of issue.

Subject to shareholder approval, the Directors of the Company will apply for \$100,000 of the second tranche placement.

Oakley will receive a fee of 7% for all funds raised (being \$154,000 plus GST). Oakley or its nominees (including third party brokers) will be issued 30 million options on the same terms as the placement attaching options above, and 12 million fully paid ordinary shares. The issue of options and shares as a component of capital raising fees will be subject to receiving shareholder approval.

Following the issue of all the shares in the tranches 1 and 2 above, subject to shareholder approval the Company will issue one (1) loyalty option for nil consideration to all shareholders on the register on a 1:30 basis, such options having the same terms as the options above. Options issuable on a fraction of an entitlement will be rounded up on the 1:30 calculation. The Company will seek to have the options listed.

Lodestar Chairman, Ross Taylor commented:

“We are delighted to have secured the support of Oakley Capital Partners for this capital raising. The strong level of interest and demand reflects renewed confidence in Lodestar’s strategic direction and growth potential.

This successful recapitalisation marks a pivotal moment in the company’s evolution and positions us to advance our exploration and development ambitions with renewed strength. We welcome Oakley Capital Partners as a key partner and thank them for their belief in the Lodestar team and our vision. The successful raising of a significant amount of capital reflects the strong demand and investor confidence in the company’s direction and future potential. We look forward to delivering value for all shareholders.”

This announcement has been authorised by the Board of Directors of the company.

Jordan McArthur
Company Secretary