

ASX Announcement

22 April 2020

**Lac Rainy Graphite Project Update:
JORC (2012) Mineral Resource Estimate**

Metals Australia Ltd (ASX: **MLS** and **Company**) would like to provide shareholders with an update in relation to the JORC (2012) Mineral Resource estimate that is well advanced on the Company's 100% owned Lac Rainy Graphite Project, located in Quebec, Canada.

The Company acknowledges the unprecedented delay which has been encountered in the delivery of the JORC (2012) Mineral Resource estimate. Unfortunately, the delay, which has been outside the control of the Company, is the result of the Company having to engage an alternative consultant to complete the tasks required to deliver the JORC (2012) Mineral Resource. During the initial engagement, the Company became aware of issues pertaining to the organisation and collation of its diamond drilling data and other data relevant to the Company's exploration activities at Lac Rainy.

This required the Company to cease the engagement with the initial consultant and undertake the task of centralising and digitising the complete exploration database using DataShed and MICROMINE.

This work has been completed and as a result the Company has been engaged with an alternative Australian based consultant for the purposes of preparing the JORC (2012) Mineral Resource estimate.

The JORC (2012) Mineral Resource estimate will include both the diamond drilling database and the channel sampling / trenching database.

The Lac Rainy project continues to deliver exceptional results with additional high-grade graphite mineralisation identified at surface, as evidenced in the announcement dated 20 April 2020 titled "*Prospecting Program Identifies New High-Grade Graphite Zone*". The prospecting program has demonstrated the significant exploration upside that exists outside of the drill defined area, which represents only a small subset of the total defined mineralised strike along the Main Carheil Graphitic Trend. The other outcome of the prospecting program was the identification of a parallel trend, known as the West Carheil Graphitic Trend, which had not been previously explored.

The Company expects to receive the results of the JORC (2012) Mineral Resource estimate in the near term and will provide shareholders with further updates at the appropriate time. The Company acknowledges the frustration that this delay has caused and thanks shareholders for their patience in what has been a challenging period.

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Company Secretary on behalf of the Board of Directors.

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ASX Listing Rules Compliance

In preparing this announcement dated 22 April 2020, the Company has relied on the announcements previously made by the Company and disclosed below. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects those announcements previously made, or that would materially affect the Company from relying on those announcements for the purpose of this announcement dated 22 April 2020.

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Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 5.23.2, the Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the announcement dated 20 April 2020.

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