

## Company Update

**Comet Resources Ltd (Comet or the Company) (ASX:CRL)** is providing an update on its efforts to achieve reinstatement to trading on the ASX.

As detailed in the Company's announcement of 20 October 2023, key conditions for reinstatement included:

- Commencement of drilling at the Barraba Copper Project;
- Raising \$1m in convertible loans and completing a 1 for 3 entitlement issue;
- Settling creditor debts from the proceeds of the funds raised;
- Shareholder approval of resolutions required to affect the relevant capital raisings; and
- Certain administrative and disclosure obligations.

The conditions were required to be met by 25 November 2023, which the Company was not able to achieve due to the delay in receiving a new permit to drill at the Barraba Copper Project (**Barraba**) as discussed in the 20 October 2023 announcement. As noted in the Company's 4 September 2023 announcement, the ASX requires the Company's securities to be reinstated to trading by 30 January 2024 to avoid being removed from the official list. As the securities of the Company have been suspended from trading for a continuous period of two years and we have been unable to achieve reinstatement, the Company's securities will be removed from the ASX effective 31 January 2024 in accordance with the policy set out in section 3.4 of ASX Listing Rules Guidance Note 33.

As noted in the 20 October 2023 announcement, the Company was advised by the NSW and Commonwealth Governments of a new requirement to undertake an ecological assessment at Barraba to determine the significance of our proposed activities on endangered bird and gum tree species prior to making a determination on the issue of a replacement drilling permit. The Company engaged an ecological consultant to prepare the required report and has constantly liaised with the NSW and Commonwealth Governments on the matter. As a result of this work the Company has now received its permit to commence drilling activities at Barraba effective immediately from 25 January 2023. In addition to standard conditions that apply to the issue of all drilling permits, additional conditions apply to the permit which are designed to protect areas of potential habitat for the endangered bird and gum tree species, including that land clearing should be undertaken with the input of an ecologist to ensure no potential nesting locations for the bird species are removed, and all activities must be undertaken outside the breeding season of the endangered bird species, which is between August and January.

As a result of the requirement to complete the ecological assessment at Barraba, Comet advised in its announcement of 20 October 2023 that the Company had contacted the ASX to discuss possible variations to the reinstatement conditions, including commencing exploration works at the Company's Northern Territory (**NT**) projects instead of Barraba. At the time of the submissions to the ASX the Company had not met the other conditions for reinstatement as noted above. In support of this the Company submitted an application for a drilling permit for its Oonagalabi project in the NT to the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (**DITT**). Comet received confirmation from the department that the application was approved on 22 January 2024, and we are therefore permitted to commence drilling at Oonagalabi also.

After becoming aware that the time it would take to complete an ecological assessment at Barraba, or to receive a permit for Oonagalabi, would both preclude Comet from meeting the timing for the reinstatement conditions provided by the ASX, the Company has made multiple

applications to the ASX requesting variations to the reinstatement conditions. Recent submissions to the ASX requested a three-month extension to the removal deadline. In support of these applications to the ASX the Board and management also worked continuously to expedite the issue of drilling permits at Barraba and Oonagalabi, both of which are now issued.

The ASX, in responding to the Company's request for an extension to the timing of removal noted that Comet had not met the criteria set out in Guidance Note 33. ASX was therefore unable to grant an extension of the LTSE removal deadline for CRL.

Accordingly, the Company's securities will be removed from the Official List from the commencement of trading on 31 January 2024 as the Company's securities have been suspended from trading for a continuous period of two years and the Company's level of activities has not been sufficient to satisfy the reinstatement conditions provided by the ASX.

The Board will now assess the Company's options including relisting on the ASX, which would involve an IPO process to be completed, or other exchanges and be in touch with shareholders in due course. Updates will be posted to the Company's website. Contact details for enquiries are included in this press release below.

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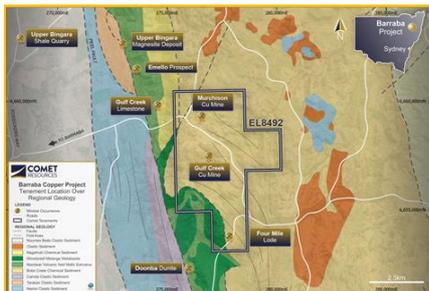
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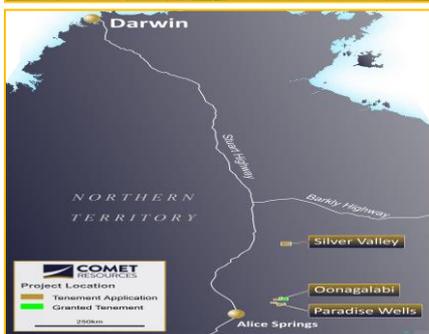
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**About Comet Resources**



**Barraba Copper Project (NSW)**

The 2,375ha exploration license that covers the project area, EL8492, is located near the town of Barraba, approximately 550km north of Sydney. It sits along the Peel Fault line and encompasses the historic Gulf Creek and Murchison copper mines. The region is known to host volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS) style mineralisation containing copper, zinc, lead and precious metals. Historical workings at Gulf Creek produced high-grade copper and zinc for a short period around the turn of the 19th century, and this area will form a key part of the initial exploration focus.



**Northern Territory Projects (NT)**

The portfolio of Northern Territory exploration licenses and exploration license applications covers an area of approximately 840km<sup>2</sup>. Although historical exploration results were indicative of near surface gold and copper mineralisation, very limited modern exploration has occurred. Comet plans to utilise modern exploration techniques to rapidly advance the scale of known mineralisation, especially where known geophysical and geochemical anomalies exist that have not been comprehensively drill tested.

**Forward-Looking Statement**

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