## VENUS METALS



Verius Metals Corporation
holds a significant and wideranging portfolio of
Australian gold, base
metals, lithium, rare earth and
variable and exploration
projects in Western Australia
that has been carefully
assembled over time."

# VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED

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 Ordinary shares on Issue
 160m

 Share Price
 \$0.15

 Market Cap.
 \$24m

 Cash & Investments
 \$5.5m

 (as at 30 Sep 2022)

# **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**



ASX CODE: VMC

28 October 2022

## **Venus Receives Firm Commitments for Placement**

- Venus has received firm commitments from sophisticated and professional investors for approximately \$2.16 million under a Placement at \$0.12 per share.
- Investors under the Placement to receive a New Option with an exercise price of \$0.20 and an expiry date of 30 November 2025 for every two New Shares issued under the Placement.
- Funds under the Placement are intended to be used towards the exploration and progression of the Company's rare earth critical minerals projects located at Mangaroon abutting Dreadnought Resources Ltd (ASX: DRE) tenure and at Marvel Loch East (refer ASX announcements dated 5 September 2022, 30 September 2022) and general working capital purposes.

Venus Metals Corporation Limited (ABN 99 123 250 582) (ASX:VMC) ("Venus" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has received firm commitments for 18,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares ("New Shares") at a price of \$0.12 per New Share to raise up to approximately \$2.16 million (before costs) under a placement to sophisticated and professional investors ("Placement"). The Placement is not underwritten.

Investors under the Placement will also receive an unlisted option for every two New Shares issued ("**New Options**"), with each New Option having an exercise price of \$0.20 and expiry date of 30 November 2025. The New Options are not transferable without the Company's prior written approval.

The Placement issue pricing represents:

- a 20% discount to the last closing share price of \$0.15 on 25 October
- a 13.9% discount to the 5-day volume-weighted average price ("VWAP") at 25 October 2022; and
- a 17.1% discount to the 15-day VWAP at 25 October 2022.

The 9,000,000 New Options and 2,892,132 of the New Shares to be issued under the Placement will be issued in accordance with the Company's available 15% placement capacity pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1. The remaining 15,107,868 New Shares will be issued under the Company's available 10% ASX Listing Rule 7.1A capacity given the issue price for the New Shares is not less than 75% of the 15-day VWAP for the Company's shares.

New Shares issued under the Placement will rank equally with the Company's existing fully paid ordinary shares on issue. Any shares issued on exercise of the New Options will rank equally with the Company's fully paid ordinary shares then on issue.

Proceeds from the Placement are intended to be used towards the exploration and progression of the Company's (including its subsidiaries') rare earth - critical minerals projects located at Mangaroon abutting Dreadnought Resources Ltd (ASX: DRE) tenure and at Marvel Loch East (refer ASX announcements dated 5 September 2022, 30 September 2022) and general working capital purposes. The proposed use of funds is indicative only and Company reserves the right to vary the use of funds raised under the Placement in its absolute discretion.

## Lead manager

The Company has appointed RM Corporate Finance Pty Ltd (**Lead Manager**) as lead manager to the Placement. Subject to obtaining shareholder approval, the Company proposes to issue 5,000,000 additional New Options to the Lead Manager.

## Indicative Timetable\*

Event	Date (AWST)
Trading halt lifted	Friday, 28 October 2022
Settlement of New Shares and New Options under Placement	Wednesday, 2 November 2022
Allotment of New Shares and New Options	Thursday, 3 November 2022
New Shares expected to commence trading	Friday, 4 November 2022

<sup>\*</sup>These dates are indicative only and are subject to change at the Board's discretion, subject to compliance with applicable laws and the ASX Listing Rules.

Nothing contained in this announcement constitutes investment, legal, tax or other advice. Investors should seek appropriate professional advice before making any investment decision.

This ASX announcement is authorised for release by the Board of Venus Metals Corporation Limited.

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