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Mining and Minerals Limited

## CORVETTE NORTH & NORTHWEST LITHIUM PROJECTS UPDATE

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Initial desktop studies of Balkan Mining's recently staked Corvette North and Corvette Northwest Projects which cover ~22km<sup>2</sup> in the prolific James Bay lithium region in Quebec, Canada, have been completed.
- Corvette North and Corvette Northwest are situated approximately 10km to 15km from Patriot Battery Metals Inc (ASX:PMT) Corvette project which has recently announced exciting lithium results, including 156.9m at 2.12% Li<sub>2</sub>O<sup>1</sup> and 159.7m at 1.65% Li<sub>2</sub>O<sup>2</sup>.
- Amphibolites (denoted in light green in Figure 1) are known to host spodumene-bearing pegmatites, and Balkan Mining notes that both projects host these formations.
- Managing Director Ross Cotton and Director elect Karl Simich will be on the ground late February with Balkan Mining's geological team to finalise plans for the upcoming work programs.

**Balkan Mining and Minerals Limited (ASX: BMM; "Balkan Mining" or "the Company")** is pleased to advise that initial desktop studies of Balkan Mining's 100% owned Corvette North and Corvette Northwest which cover ~22km<sup>2</sup> in the prolific James Bay lithium region in Quebec, Canada, have been completed.

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Further, the Company has assessed local infrastructure (please refer to Figure 2) and notes that both Corvette North and Corvette Northwest are close to power, roads and numerous airports.

Director elect Karl Simich (to be voted upon by shareholders February 13, 2023) and Managing Director Ross Cotton, will be on the ground late February with Balkan Mining's geological team to finalise plans for the upcoming work programs.

Mr Simich has 36 years' experience with publicly listed mining and exploration companies on the ASX, TSX and LSE, most recently as the founder, Managing Director and CEO of Sandfire Resources (ASX: SFR) between 2006 and September 2022.

<sup>1</sup> Refer Patriot Metal Inc (ASX: PMT) announcement "Patriot Drills 156.9m of 2.12% Li<sub>2</sub>O at the CV5 Pegmatite" dated 19 January 2023.

<sup>2</sup> Refer Patriot Metals Inc (ASX: PMT) Prospectus dated 9 November 2022.

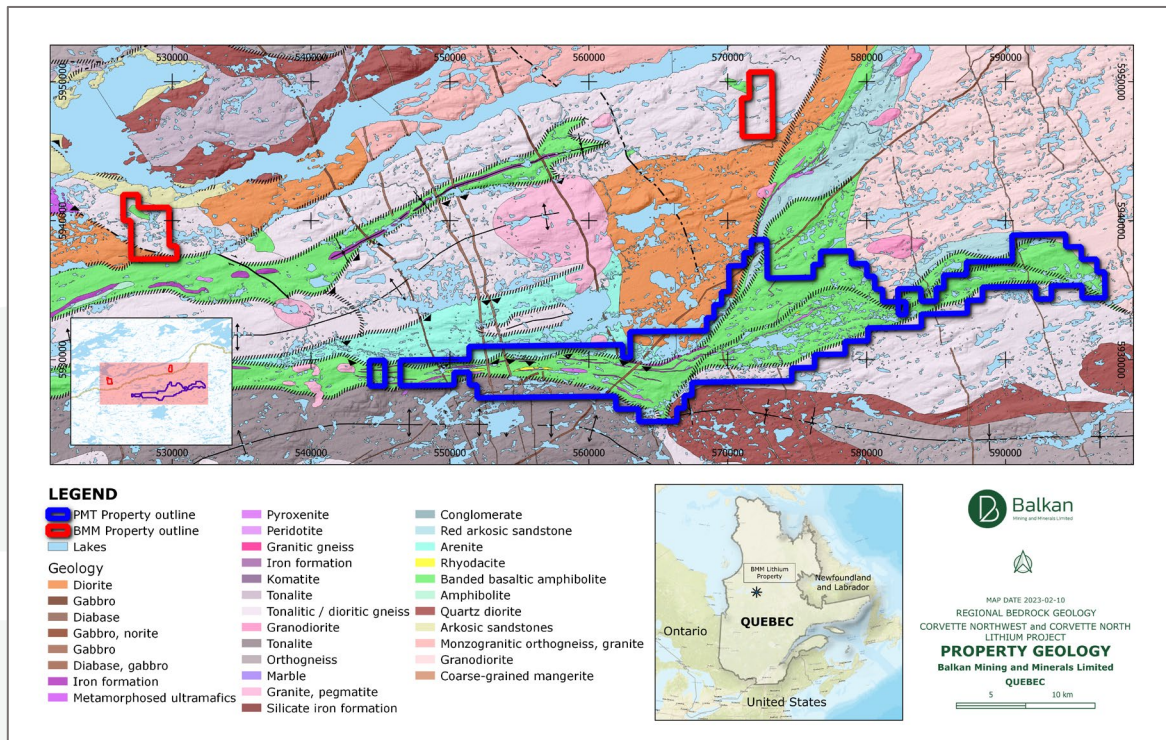


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During this time, he guided Sandfire through the discovery, financing, development and successful 10-year operation of the highly profitable DeGrussa Copper Operations in Western Australia. He oversaw the implementation of Sandfire's international expansion strategy to become a globally significant copper miner, including the US\$1.865 billion acquisition of the MATSA copper operations in Spain. At the end of his tenure, Sandfire had mining operations and development projects spanning three continents.



**Figure 1 – Geology map of wider project area**

The projects are located in northern Quebec within the central parts of the La Grande Greenstone Belt, in the James Bay Region, Quebec. The property is situated due north and northwest of the Corvette Lithium Projects of Patriot Battery Metals (ASX.PMT). The rock types of the La Grande Greenstone Belt are dominated by amphibolite facies, mafic to ultramafic metavolcanics and intermediate to mafic paragneiss units. This stratigraphy is analogous to PMET Corvette property where pegmatite intrusions are hosted within basalt derived amphibolite rocks.



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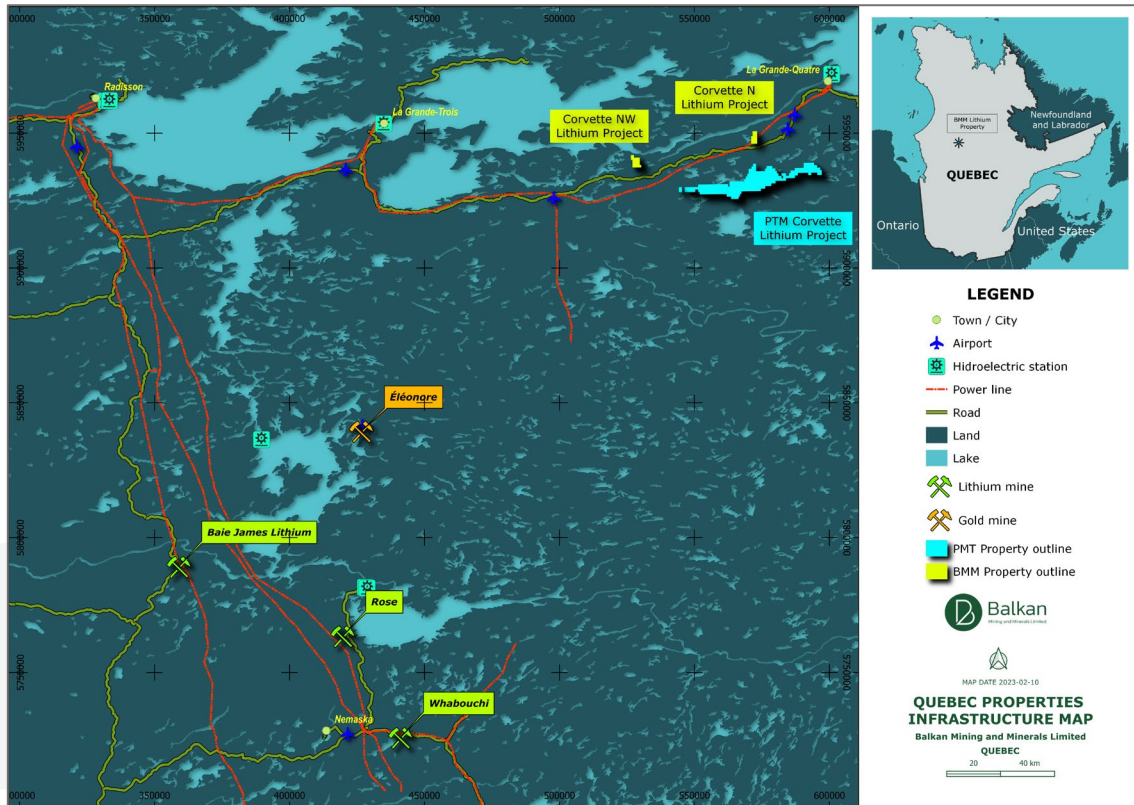


Figure 2 – Infrastructure map

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**Authorised for release by the Managing Director of Balkan Mining and Minerals Limited**

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## Competent Person Statement

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets or Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Dejan Jovanovic, a Competent Person who is a Member of the European Federation of Geologists (EurGeol). The European Federation of Geologists is a Joint Ore Reserves Committee (JORC) Code 'Recognised Professional Organisation' (RPO). An RPO is an accredited organisation to which the Competent Person under JORC Code Reporting Standards must belong in order to report Exploration Results, Mineral Resources, or Ore Reserves through the ASX. Mr Jovanovic is the General Manager, Exploration and is a full-time employee of the Company. Mr Jovanovic has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the JORC' Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Jovanovic consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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