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ASX Market Announcements
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## Emperor Energy Enters into Sales and Purchase Agreement to Acquire 128 Hectares of Mining Leases considered Prospective for Gold

Emperor Energy Limited (ASX:EMP) (**Emperor Energy**) wishes to advise that it has executed an Asset Sale and Purchase Agreement to acquire 3 Mining Leases with a total area of 128 Hectares located between Townsville and Charters Towers City in North Queensland, Australia.

Based on historical reports and from inspections carried out on the site, the Mining Leases appear to have been previously mined for Gold using minor scale hand working techniques in the 1890s and 1930s. Emperor Energy has been carrying out due diligence on the Mining Leases and considers that they are prospective for Gold.

Emperor Energy is acquiring the Mining Lease for a consideration of \$450,000 cash plus the issuance of \$50,000 in fully paid ordinary shares in Emperor Energy (**Emperor Shares**) to the Vendor.

The Emperor Shares to be issued to the Vendor will be issued under Emperor Energy's existing Listing Rule 7.1 capacity. The issue price will be equal to the volume weighted average price of the Buyer's fully paid ordinary shares as traded on the ASX for the 30 days up to and including the trading day prior to the date of satisfaction (or waiver) of all the Conditions of the Asset Sale and Purchase Agreement.

The Agreement contains several conditions precedent including.

- 1. The Buyer completing its due diligence by 31st October 2023.
- 2. The Buyer completing a capital raising to fund the acquisition of the Mining Leases.
- 3. The Buyer receiving confirmation of approval of an amendment to the existing Environmental Authority for the Mining Leases to allow for an exploration drilling program.
- 4. The Buyer receiving confirmation from the Landowner that it will consent to the Buyer entering onto the area of the Mining Lease to conduct exploration and mining activities.
- 5. The Seller receiving notice to the effect that, subject to compliance with the Resources Act and on conditions reasonably acceptable to the Buyer, the Minister will or is likely to approve the transfer of the Mining Leases to the Buyer in accordance with the Resources Act
- 6. The Buyer receiving all regulatory and third-party approvals necessary to give effect to the transfer of the Mining Leases

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7. The Buyer receiving a valid assignment, assumption, adherence, novation or transfer of all Material Contracts duly executed by the Seller and all relevant third parties.



ASX has confirmed that Listing Rules 11.1.2 and 11.1.3 would not apply to the acquisition of the Mining Leases.

Emperor Energy has assembled a small, well qualified and experienced consulting team to progress this project including a specialist Geologist and a specialist Mining Engineer in this field. Emperor Energy Director, Phil McNamara, is also a qualified Mining Engineer.

It is expected that the acquisition of the Mining Leases will be completed prior to 31st March 2024.

While the acquisition of the Mining Leases does provide Emperor Energy a level of business diversification, the Directors of Emperor Energy wish to reinforce that the Company remains focused on development of its main asset being the Judith Gas Project located 40km offshore from the Orbost Gas Plant in the Gippsland Basin, Victoria.

The Judith Gas field project requires drilling of a successful Judith-2 appraisal well to prove Gas Reserves and subsequently provide economic justification for gas field and processing plant development.

We thank shareholders and our team for their ongoing support and welcome any questions they may have.

This announcement has been authorised for release to the market by the Board of Directors of Emperor Energy Limited.

Yours faithfully

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