ASX Announcement

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ASX: MKR



SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A\$862,500 PLACEMENT

Manuka Resources Limited (**Manuka** or the **Company**) is pleased to advise that it has successfully completed a A\$862500 private placement of new fully paid ordinary shares in Manuka (**Placement Shares**) to unrelated professional and sophisticated investors (the **Placement**).

The Placement has been strongly supported by a very small number of professional and sophisticated investors, the majority of whom are existing shareholders and has resulted in the issue of 17,250,000 fully paid ordinary shares.

The Placement Shares were issued 21st August 2023 and have an issue price of \$0.05 per share.

Shares issued under the Placement have been issued utilising the Company's existing placement capacity pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1. Settlement of the Placement has occurred, and Placement Shares have been issued on 21 August 2023. Placement Shares will rank pari passu with existing Manuka ordinary shares.

The funds raised from the placement will be used towards general working capital and expenditure attributed to the ramp up of gold production.

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About Manuka Resources Limited

Manuka Resources Limited (ASX: MKR) is an Australian mining and exploration company with key assets located in the Cobar Basin, central west New South Wales. In addition to its recent acquisition of Trans-Tasman Resources Limited owner of the Taranaki VTM Project, it is the 100% owner of two fully permitted mining projects, one gold and one silver, both within the Cobar Basin, which include the following:

- Gold Mt Boppy Gold mine, 48-person mine camp and neighbouring tenements, hosting an existing open pit mineral resource¹ and combined ROM, waste and tailings material all of which lend themselves to upgrading through screening. The Company has commenced a screening and gold recovery project, processing the product at its Wonawinta plant. It has confidence the gold from these sources can be extracted profitably and over a period of ~3 years. Manuka also awaits the outcome of its forthcoming exploration program to determine as to whether the future for mining any Mt Boppy extensions will be as an underground or open cast mine.
- Silver Wonawinta silver project, with mine, 84 person mine camp, processing plant and neighbouring tenements. Previously renowned as the largest primary producer of silver in Australia, the mine hosts a significant JORC resource². The Wonawinta processing plant has a nameplate capacity of >850,000 tonnes per year (which the Company now sees expanded to >1.0Mt/yr. The Company has recently completed a plant and metallurgical recovery optimisation.

There exists a number of highly prospective base metals exploration targets on Manuka's ~1,150km² tenement package within the Cobar Basin.

The Taranaki VTM Iron Sand Project recently released its maiden vanadium resource³ which ranks it as one of the largest drilled vanadium projects globally. The Project has a granted mining licence and is in the lowest quartile of the iron ore production cost curve. The Company awaits the reissuance of its Environmental Approval before completing its Bankable Feasibility Study.

Important Information

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¹ ASX release 29 July 2022

² ASX release 1 April 2021

³ ASX release 1 March 2023