




10 December 2024

\$5 million Capital Raising

Highlights:

-  **Firm commitments received to raise \$5 million (before costs)**
-  **Strong support from existing shareholders and new institutional investors**
-  **Provides funding towards development of Arrowsmith North Silica Sand Project ahead of anticipated environmental approvals**

VRX Silica Limited (**VRX** or **Company**) is pleased to announce it has received binding commitments from sophisticated and professional investors to raise \$5 million (before costs) under a two-tranche placement of fully paid ordinary shares (**Placement**).

The Placement comprises:

- the unconditional issue of approximately 115.5 million new shares equating to approximately \$4.85 million within the Company's placement capacity under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 (52,650,625 shares) and 7.1A (62,825,567 shares) (**Tranche 1**); and
- the conditional issue of approximately 3.6 million new shares equating to approximately \$0.15 million to VRX Directors subject to obtaining shareholder approval at an Extraordinary General Meeting (**Tranche 2**).

The Placement attracted strong interest from investors and was well supported by existing shareholders and new institutional investors, including a substantial commitment by major shareholder Sparta Invest AG for \$2 million.

VRX Managing Director Bruce Maluish commented:

"This capital raising puts VRX in a strong position as we finalise environmental and other approvals for the development of our lead silica sand project at Arrowsmith North.

"We are grateful for the support of our existing shareholders and welcome new investors in this placement."

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Capital Structure

Shares on Issue:
628 million

Unlisted Options:
91 million

Corporate Directory

Paul Boyatzis

Non-Executive Chairman

Bruce Maluish

Managing Director

Peter Pawlowitsch

Non-Executive Director

David Welch

Non-Executive Director

Ian Hobson

Company Secretary

Silica Sand Projects

Arrowsmith Silica Sand Projects, 270km north of Perth, WA.

Muchea Silica Sand Project, 50km north of Perth, WA.

Boyatup Silica Sand Project, 100km east of Esperance, WA.

Geothermal Energy

Dandaragan Geothermal Energy Permit, 145km north of Perth, WA

The Company is actively assessing other silica sand and downstream processing projects in Australia.

The Placement will be conducted at a price of \$0.042 per share (**Offer Price**), representing a:

- 26.3% discount to the last close of \$0.057 per share on 5 December 2024;
- 22.5% discount to the 5-day Volume Weighted Average Price (**VWAP**) of \$0.0542 per share up to and including 5 December 2024; and a
- 23.7% discount to the 15-day VWAP of \$0.0551 per share up to and including 5 December 2024.

Tranche 1 shares are scheduled to settle on Monday, 16 December 2024 and scheduled to allot on Tuesday, 17 December 2024. The Company will as soon as practicable convene a general meeting for early 2025 to seek shareholder approval for the shares subscribed for by VRX directors in Tranche 2 of the Placement.

The shares issued under the Placement will rank equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares on issue.

Unified Capital Partners Pty Ltd are acting as sole lead manager and bookrunner to the Placement.

This announcement has been authorised by Bruce Maluish, Managing Director.

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About VRX Silica Limited

VRX Silica Limited (ASX: VRX) is the most advanced pureplay silica sand company listed on the ASX, developing its 100% owned silica sand projects at Arrowsmith (North, Brand and Central), Muchea and Boyatup in Western Australia.

Silica sand is the most used commodity on the planet after air and water. It is the main ingredient in all types of glassmaking, including specialty solar panel and high-tech glass, and foundry casting. It is a finite resource that is running out, with the Asia-Pacific region experiencing an ever-growing supply shortfall that is driving up prices.

Arrowsmith is located 270km north of Perth. Arrowsmith North boasts a minimum 25-year mine life capable of producing more than 2Mt tonnes per year of high-grade (99.7% SiO₂)* silica sand for export to the foundry, container glass and flat glass markets in Asia, with permitting well advanced, and will lead production.

Muchea, located 50km north of Perth, is an ultra-high-grade (99.9% SiO₂)* silica sand project capable of producing sand required for ultra-clear glass for solar panels and other high-tech glass applications.

Boyatup, located 100km east of Esperance, is under development and capable of producing sand for the glass market.



*Information relating to grades are extracted from releases to ASX on 28 August 2019 and 11 November 2022 (Arrowsmith North) and 18 October 2019 (Muchea). The company is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects this information.