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# Paladin Completes the Acquisition of Fission Uranium Corp

Paladin Energy Ltd (ASX:PDN OTCQX:PALAF) ("Paladin") and Fission Uranium Corp. (TSX:FCU OTCQX:FCUUF FSE:2FU) ("Fission") are pleased to announce the successful completion of Paladin's acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding shares of Fission (the "Fission Shares") by way of a court-approved plan of arrangement under the Canada Business Corporations Act ("Arrangement") pursuant to the terms of the arrangement agreement among Fission, Paladin, and 1000927136 Ontario Inc. (the "Purchaser") dated June 24, 2024, as amended on July 25, 2024 and August 29, 2024.

Under the terms of the Arrangement, each former shareholder of Fission ("Fission Shareholder") (other than Ineligible Shareholders (as defined in the Fission Circular) will be entitled to receive 0.1076 of a fully paid ordinary share of Paladin (each whole share a "Paladin Share") for each Fission Share held immediately prior to the effective time of the Arrangement. Ineligible Shareholders will not receive Paladin Shares under the Arrangement. Instead, each Ineligible Shareholder will be entitled to receive the proceeds from the sale of the Paladin Shares attributable to such Ineligible Shareholder under the Arrangement.

Neither Paladin nor the Purchaser owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, any Fission Shares prior to the completion of the Arrangement. Immediately following completion of the Arrangement, Paladin, through its wholly-owned subsidiary the Purchaser, beneficially owns 858,766,839 Fission Shares, representing 100% of the issued and outstanding Fission Shares. As a result of the Arrangement, former Fission Shareholders collectively own approximately 24% of the Paladin Shares issued and outstanding immediately following completion of the Arrangement.

The Paladin Shares are listed for trading on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") and Paladin has applied to list the Paladin Shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX"). Subject to final approval of the TSX, the Paladin Shares are expected to commence trading on the TSX under the ticker symbol "PDN" on or around 27 December 2024. Fission has applied to de-list the Fission Shares from the TSX, with such de-listing expected to be effective at market close (1:00 p.m. EST) on 24 December 2024. Fission has also applied to delist the Fission Shares from the OTCQX and the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. As soon as practicable following completion of the Arrangement, Paladin will apply for Fission to cease to be a reporting issuer under applicable Canadian securities laws.

All registered Fission Shareholders are encouraged to complete, sign and return the letter of transmittal, which has been previously mailed and is available under Fission's SEDAR+ profile at www.sedarplus.ca, with accompanying Fission share certificate and/or DRS advice-statement(s) (if applicable) to Computershare Investor Services Inc. as soon as possible, if they have not already done so. Non-registered Fission Shareholders are encouraged to contact their broker or other intermediary for instructions and assistance in receiving the consideration to which they are entitled under the Arrangement.



For more information on the Arrangement, see Fission's management information circular dated 22 July 2024 (the "Fission Circular"), filed under Fission's profile on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.com on 30 July 2024. A copy of the early warning report of Paladin in connection with its acquisition of all of the outstanding Fission Shares pursuant to the Arrangement will be filed under Fission's SEDAR+ profile and can be obtained by contacting Paladin as set out below.

Paladin now looks forward to integrating Fission and its management team into Paladin's broader business.

Whilst Fission's CEO Ross McElroy has elected to resign upon completion of the Arrangement, the remaining key members of Fission's executive team have indicated their desire to continue on in their current roles to progress the development of the Patterson Lake South project ("**PLS**").

Paladin intends to commence a search for both a Canadian non-executive director to join its Board of Directors, as well as a senior executive to lead its Canadian operations, ensuring a strong leadership presence in Canada interacting with governments, the investment community and other key stakeholders.

As part of its integration process, Paladin intends to conduct a full review of the PLS feasibility study (including Fission's previously estimated capital costs, operating costs and development timeframe), with the aim of identifying areas for further optimisation and de-risking the development of the project.

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors of Paladin Energy Ltd.

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