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Venus expands geological team with appointment of Senior Exploration Manager

Venus Metals Corporation Limited (ASX:VMC) (**Venus** or **VMC** or the **Company**) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Graham Leaver as Exploration Manager of the Company.

Mr Leaver is an experienced geologist with a strong combination of commercial, operational and technical skills he's gained over more than 30 years in the Australian mining industry, covering all aspects of exploration, open cut and underground geology including his involvement with the development of projects from greenfield state to producing mines.

Mr Leaver has a successful track record, having recently held the position of Exploration Manager of Azure Minerals Limited where he oversaw exploration at its portfolio of projects, including its flagship Andover Lithium and Nickel-Copper-Cobalt Project in joint venture with legendary West Australian mining entrepreneur Mr Mark Creasy.

Azure Minerals Limited was acquired by joint bidders Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. (SQM) and Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd in 2024 for approximately $1.7 billion in cash via a scheme of arrangement.

Earlier in Mr Leaver's career, he was a Senior Exploration Geologist at Jubilee Mines NL before its approximately $3.1 billion takeover by Xstrata Nickel Australasia Pty Limited, after which he became the Exploration Manager / Geology Manager of Xstrata Nickel Australasia Pty Limited. He was also previously Exploration Manager at Talisman Mining Limited (ASX: TLM).

Mr Leaver will commence employment with VMC on 7 September 2026.

Managing Director, Mr Matthew Hogan, commented:

> *"Graham shares our values, vision and commitment to excellence, and his extensive skill set and demonstrated ability to take on new challenges makes him a great fit in an entrepreneurial organisation like Venus. We are delighted to welcome him to the Company."*

This announcement is authorised by the Board of Venus Metals Corporation Limited.

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