

West Vault Closes \$10.18 Million Non-Brokered Private Placement

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Vancouver, August 13, 2020 - [West Vault Mining Inc.](#) (TSXV: WVM) ("West Vault" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that on August 12, 2020 a non-brokered private placement of common shares of the Company first announced on July 22, 2020 was completed. The Company issued an aggregate 8,855,000 common shares at a price of \$1.15 per share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$10,183,250 (the "Private Placement"). The Private Placement was completed with two of the Company's major shareholders.

Combined with the funds to be received from the previously announced brokered offering that is expected to close today, the Company intends to use the proceeds of the Private Placement to acquire the remaining 25% interest in the Hasbrouck Gold Project not already held, thereby consolidating 100% ownership by West Vault, as announced on July 22, 2020. Terms of the acquisition include a cash payment of US\$10 million and 1 million West Vault common shares to be issued to Clover Nevada LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Waterton Precious Metals II Cayman, LP ("Waterton"). The completion of the interest acquisition and project consolidation is scheduled to occur by August 14, 2020, subject to several conditions including, but not limited to, completion of the brokered offering, board and regulatory approvals and other customary conditions in the mining industry for similar purchases and sales.

The common shares issued pursuant to the Private Placement have a four-month and one day resale restriction from the date of closing, expiring on December 13, 2020.

Sun Valley Gold Master Fund, Ltd. and Ruffer LLP, each being a related party to the Company under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions ("MI 61-101") by virtue of being a holder of more than 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company, participated in the Private Placement. The Private Placement therefore constitutes a "related party transaction" under MI 61-101. The Company relied upon exemptions from the valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements of MI 61-101 available pursuant to sections 5.5(a) and 5.7(1)(a) of MI 61-101, as neither the fair market value of the transaction, insofar as it involves interested parties, exceeds 25% of the Company's market capitalization (calculated in accordance with Policy 5.9 - Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions).

The common shares sold pursuant to the Private Placement have not been, and will not be, registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act") or any U.S. state securities laws, and may not be offered or sold in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons absent registration or any applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable U.S. state securities laws. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy securities in the United States, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.

On behalf of [West Vault Mining Inc.](#)

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