

Strategic Resources Engages Lead Bank for its Construction Financing Package

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MONTREAL, July 18, 2024 - [Strategic Resources Inc.](#) (TSXV: SR) (the "Company" or "Strategic") is pleased to announce that it has engaged Societe Generale to lead the project financing debt package to fund development of the project. The Company has initiated work with Societe Generale to put together a senior debt package for the BlackRock project in Québec. The Company is targeting an approximately US\$300 million senior debt financing package to fund the US\$470 million initial capital that is required in its Phase 1, four million tonne per annum, Iron Pelletizer Pre-feasibility Study⁽¹⁾. Post the completion of the debt financing, the Company will work with existing shareholders and other groups to bring together a full funding solution for the construction of the BlackRock project.

Sean Cleary, CEO commented: "Societe Generale is an established leader in the project financing space and Strategic Resources is pleased to work on this process with them. This is a significant step on the path towards supplying Canada's steel industry with high-purity iron metallica necessary to operate new environmentally friendly electric arc furnaces that are under construction. Strategic Resources will help supply the green steel movement that is now well underway."

Strategic has also completed a request for proposal process on the next phase of engineering work for the Phase 1 iron pelletizer. The Company has shortlisted potential candidates and plans to announce its preferred independent engineering choice by the end of 2024.

Strategic has made considerable progress in sourcing direct reduction grade iron feed material for the iron pelletizer. The Company's negotiations are ongoing and Strategic expects to conclude definitive supply agreements by Q4 2024.

Notes:

(1) The non-National Instrument 43-101 Pre-feasibility Study described above is an independent economic scenario from the BlackRock National Instrument 43-101 Feasibility Study ("FS"), which was effective on November 18, 2022. Details for this scenario were outlined in the Company's March 12, 2024 news release and further clarified in the July 12, 2024 news release. The Project will not exploit any of the Company's own mineral reserves and will rely on merchant third-party iron feed. It is possible that the full BlackRock Project as was described in the FS could benefit from the Project infrastructure in the future, but the potential benefits are unknown at this time.

About Strategic Resources

Strategic Resources Inc. (TSXV:SR) is a critical mineral exploration and development company focused on high-purity vanadium projects in Canada and Finland. The Company is developing its flagship BlackRock Project, which is a fully permitted and ready to construct mine, concentrator and metallurgical facility located at a seaport in Québec with full access to the St. Lawrence Seaway. The Company's Head Office is in Montreal, Québec.

Further details are available on the Company's website at <https://strategic-res.com/>. To follow future news releases, please visit <https://strategic-res.com/contact/>.

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Signed: "Sean Cleary"

Sean Cleary, CEO & Chairman

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