

# Focus Graphite Commissions WSP to Complete Air Dispersion Modelling and Dust Management Plan at Lac Knife

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The updated study incorporates redesigned dry-stack tailings system engineered to eliminate acid mine drainage and is one of the final ESIA reports.

Ottawa, November 17, 2025 - Focus Graphite Inc. (TSXV: FMS) (OTCQB: FCSMF) (FSE: FK00) ("Focus" or the "Company"), a leading Canadian graphite developer advancing high-grade projects, is pleased to announce that it has commissioned an updated Air Dispersion Modelling and Dust Management Study (the "Study") for its 100%-wholly owned Lac Knife Project (the "Project") in Quebec. This work represents one of the final environmental studies required to complete the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment ("ESIA") and advance the Project toward mine-permitting readiness.

The Study will be led by WSP Canada Inc. ("WSP"), a world-leading Montreal-based global engineering, environmental, and professional-services consultancy, and will be conducted under the supervision and management of IOS Geosciences Inc. ("IOS"), the Company's geological consultant and general contractor for the Project. WSP includes the former Woods Engineering, which participated in the 2019 preliminary design of the dry-stack tailings storage facility ("TSF"), as well as Golder Inc., which conducted the original 2014 Study.

The Study will evaluate the potential airborne dispersion of dust and gases associated with mining operations, including:

- wind-driven erosion from the TSF,
- emissions generated by blasting activities, and
- traffic-related dust along the 7-kilometre access road linking Lac Knife to Highway 389.

This updated modelling replaces the earlier 2014 study to reflect the re-engineered dry-stack tailings design, developed as part of the 2021 Feasibility Study (the "Feasibility") update. The redesign eliminates the former wet-pond configuration and instead utilizes dolomitic marble to amend and encapsulate tailings, thereby preventing acid mine drainage ("AMD") and metal leaching. This new TSF concept was considered material enough to necessitate remodelling of the areal dispersion.

The current program directly addresses follow-up questions from Quebec's Ministry of Sustainable Development, Environment, and the Fight Against Climate Change ("MDDELCC"), issued during its review of the Company's 2014 ESIA submission. Results from the Study are expected by February 2026, aligning with the planned submission of the final revised ESIA.

"The completion of the air dispersion modelling and dust management plan marks one of the last major technical steps in our environmental review process," said Dean Hanisch, Chief Executive Officer of Focus Graphite. "We are now systematically finalizing outstanding ESIA components to move Lac Knife toward the permitting stage. Each of these studies reflects our ongoing commitment to advance the Project responsibly."

## Qualified Person

The technical content disclosed in this news release was reviewed and approved by Rejean Girard, P.Geo. (QC), President of IOS Geosciences Inc., a consultant to the Company, and a qualified person as defined under National Instrument NI-43-101.

#### About WSP Canada Inc.

WSP Canada Inc. is a Canadian subsidiary of WSP Global Inc., one of the world's leading professional-services firms. Headquartered in Montreal, Quebec, WSP provides multidisciplinary engineering, environmental, and consulting services across the infrastructure, energy, mining, transportation, and built-environment sectors. With thousands of professionals across Canada and internationally, WSP delivers technical excellence and sustainable solutions supporting clients through every stage of project development.

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#### About Focus Graphite Advanced Materials Inc.

Focus Graphite Advanced Materials is redefining the future of critical minerals with two 100% owned world-class graphite projects and cutting-edge battery technology. Focus Graphite's flagship Lac Knife project stands as one of the most advanced high-purity graphite deposits in North America, with a fully completed feasibility study. Lac Knife is set to become a key supplier for the battery, defense, and advanced materials industries.

Focus Graphite's Lac Tetepisca project further strengthens our portfolio, with the potential to be one of the largest and highest-purity and grade graphite deposits in North America. At Focus, they go beyond mining - we are pioneering environmentally sustainable processing solutions and innovative battery technologies, including our patent-pending silicon-enhanced spheroidized graphite, designed to enhance battery performance and efficiency.

Focus Graphite's commitment to innovation ensures a chemical-free, eco-friendly supply chain from mine to market. Collaboration is at the core of our vision. We actively partner with industry leaders, research institutions, and government agencies to accelerate the commercialization of next-generation graphite materials. As a North American company, we are dedicated to securing a resilient, locally sourced supply of critical minerals - reducing dependence on foreign-controlled markets and driving the transition to a sustainable future.

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In particular, this press release contains forward-looking information regarding, among other things, the anticipated timing, scope, and results of the Air Dispersion Modelling and Dust Management Study (the "Study") at the Lac Knife Project; the completion of the Company's Environmental and Social Impact Assessment ("ESIA") and related technical studies, including hydrogeological and tailings dam analyses; the expected timing of regulatory submissions and approvals; the potential for the Project to achieve mine-permitting readiness; and the advancement of the Lac Knife Project toward development. Forward-looking information also includes statements regarding the Company's expectations concerning the effectiveness of the redesigned dry-stack tailings storage facility, the ability to meet Québec's environmental and regulatory standards, the anticipated role of the Lac Knife and Lac Tetepisca projects within Canada's Critical Minerals Strategy, and the Company's capacity to secure the financing and partnerships required to advance these projects responsibly and sustainably.

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