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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA IN BANKRUPTCY AND INSOLVENCY

IN THE MATTER OF THE RECEIVERSHIP OF TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

THIRD REPORT OF THE RECEIVER
JULY 5, 2024



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INTRODUCTION

- On August 19, 2022, Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC") and Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("TNB" and collectively, "Trevali") sought and obtained an initial order (the "Initial Order") under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") from the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "CCAA Proceedings"). Pursuant to the Initial Order, FTI Consulting Canada Inc. ("FTI") was appointed monitor of Trevali (in such capacity, the "Monitor").
- 2. On September 14, 2022, this Honourable Court granted an order approving procedures for a sales and investment solicitation process (the "SISP") for the assets of Trevali. The SISP did not generate any bids with respect to TNB, and its operations at the Caribou mine, prior to the October 7, 2022 LOI Deadline, as defined in the SISP. As a result, Trevali, with the assistance of the Monitor, engaged with the secured lenders of Trevali and the Government of New Brunswick to consider next steps with respect to the Caribou mine.
- 3. On January 9, 2023, this Honourable Court granted the following orders:
 - a. an order (the "Receivership Order") appointing FTI as receiver (in such capacity, the "Receiver") of all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, other than any real property, mineral claims, mining leases, or real property leases owned or held by TNB (collectively, the "Property") effective on January 24, 2023 at 11:59pm PST; and
 - b. an order authorizing and approving the Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development ("DNRED") and its approved contractors' right to rent and use certain equipment currently owned or leased by TNB from the commencement of the rental term until and including March 15, 2023, in exchange for payment of US\$198,000 (the "Rental Agreement"), reflecting at least in part the operational cost of a two-week handover period between January 9–24, 2023. The Receiver and DNRED have since extended the Rental

Agreement indefinitely for a weekly rental rate that has been renegotiated as part of the subsequent extensions.

- 4. On March 29, 2023, this Honourable Court granted an order (the "Claims Process Order") in the CCAA Proceedings approving a process for determining the nature and amounts of certain claims against TMC and TNB and their Directors and Officers (the "Claims Process").
- 5. In early June 2023, the Receiver prepared a document (the "Invitation for Offers") to solicit offers for the Property while referring parties seeking information on the real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by TNB to a contact person with DNRED. Since that time, the Receiver has been working in conjunction with DNRED to identify and facilitate a going-concern transaction for the Caribou mine.
- 6. On April 27, 2024, the Receiver and Bathurst Metallic Corp. ("BMC" or the "Purchaser") entered into an asset purchase agreement (the "TNB APA") to sell and assign to the Purchaser all of TNB's right, title and interest to the Assets (as defined in the TNB APA) subject to an expansion of the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order to include all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, without any limitations.
- 7. Concurrently on April 27th, the Purchaser also agreed to purchase substantially all of assets of Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. ("TMM") as set out in an asset purchase agreement (the "TMM APA") among TMM and the Purchaser.
- 8. On July 1, 2024, an agreement (the "Settlement and Support Agreement") was reached between TMC, TMM, the Receiver and His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick ("GNB") as represented by DNRED whereby GNB has agreed to support the granting of the approval and vesting orders with respect to the TNB APA and the TMM APA subject to the payment of the Settlement Amount (as subsequently defined).

- 9. On July 5, 2024, the Receiver, along with the Monitor, served a notice of application for the following orders, among others:
 - a. an order (the "TNB AVO") approving the TNB APA and vesting the purchased assets in the Purchaser, free and clear of any encumbrances; and
 - b. an order approving the Settlement and Support Agreement (the "Settlement Order").
- 10. The Monitor also seeks orders that provide for, among other things, the following:
 - a. the approval of the TMM APA; and
 - b. the addition of TMM as a Petitioner in the CCAA Proceedings.
- 11. The purpose of this Third Report is to provide this Honourable Court with information with respect to:
 - a. the Receiver's activities since the Second Report of the Receiver dated October 18, 2023 (the "Second Report");
 - b. the Receiver's efforts, in conjunction with DNRED, to identify and facilitate a going-concern transaction for the Caribou mine (the "Tender Process");
 - c. the Settlement and Support Agreement;
 - d. the TNB APA:
 - e. the Claims Process conducted in the CCAA Proceedings, as it relates to claims against TNB;
 - f. the Receiver's interim statement of cash receipts and disbursements ("R&D") for TNB for the period of January 24, 2023 to June 18, 2024; and

- g. the Receiver's conclusions and recommendations.
- 12. This Third Report should be read in conjunction with the Seventeenth Report of the Monitor served on July 5, 2024.
- 13. The Receivership Order and other publicly available information in respect of these proceedings (the "Receivership Proceedings") are posted on the Receiver's website at http://cfcanada.fticonsulting.com/Trevali/receivership.htm.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 14. In preparing this report, the Receiver has relied upon certain information (the "Information") including Trevali's unaudited financial information, books and records and discussions with former senior management of Trevali ("Management").
- 15. Except as described in this report, the Receiver has not audited, reviewed or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of the Information in a manner that would comply with Generally Accepted Assurance Standards pursuant to the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook.
- 16. The Receiver has not examined or reviewed financial forecasts and projections referred to in this report in a manner that would comply with the procedures described in the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook.
- 17. Future oriented financial information reported to be relied on in preparing this report is based on assumptions regarding future events. Actual results may vary from forecast and such variations may be material.
- 18. Unless otherwise stated, all monetary amounts contained herein are expressed in Canadian dollars. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined are as defined in the Receivership Order.

RECEIVER'S ACTIVITIES

- 19. Since the date of the Second Report, the Receiver's activities have included, among other things, the following:
 - a. attending the Caribou mine site in Bathurst, New Brunswick in December 2023 to view the assets, and meet with DNRED and the Purchaser;
 - b. arranging for the preservation and winterization of the equipment;
 - negotiating and corresponding with DNRED and the Purchaser in respect of the TNB APA and Settlement and Support Agreement;
 - d. responding to inquiries from creditors in respect of TNB;
 - e. collecting rental fees from DNRED;
 - f. corresponding with Glencore Canada Corporation ("Glencore") in respect of Harmonized Sales Tax ("HST") that Glencore sought to set off and not pay to TNB for remittance to the Canada Revenue Agency ("CRA"); and
 - g. corresponding with legal counsel with respect to the above.

TENDER PROCESS

- 20. As described in the Second Report, in early June 2023 the Receiver prepared the Invitation for Offers which included the following information:
 - a. an overview of the Receivership Proceedings;
 - b. a description of the equipment offered for sale;
 - c. a summary of the key dates for the Tender Process;

- d. an appendix detailing the equipment offered for sale; and
- e. a template form of offer, including the terms and conditions of sale.
- 21. A copy of the Invitation for Offers to purchase is attached as Appendix "A".
- 22. In consultation with representatives of DNRED, the Invitation for Offers referred parties seeking information on the real property, mineral claims (the "Claims"), mining leases (the "Mining Leases") or real property leases in New Brunswick (collectively, the "Real Property Assets") owned or held by TNB to a contact person with DNRED.
- 23. Highlights of the Tender Process are as follows:
 - a. the Invitation for Offers was sent to 42 parties comprised of auctioneers, companies identified by the Receiver as potentially having an interest in the equipment and parties that had previously contacted either the Receiver or DNRED expressing interest in the assets of TNB;
 - b. a data room was set up by the Receiver, which included photos of the equipment and a copy of the Invitation for Offers and standard form of offer;
 - c. eight parties contacted the Receiver expressing an interest in the equipment and were provided with access to the data room; and
 - d. on June 27, 2023, the Receiver arranged site visits for three parties to allow them to physically inspect the equipment.
- 24. The original deadline for receipt of offers was set for June 30, 2023, but the date was extended to July 14, 2023 (the "Bid Deadline") as a result of inclement weather, which caused delays in site visits.

- 25. Prior to the Bid Deadline, the Receiver received four offers from auctioneers and three expressions of interest from parties wishing to pursue an acquisition of the Caribou mine with a goal of re-starting mining operations (the "Going Concern Parties").\
- 26. The Receiver delayed advancing an offer with an auctioneer to allow the Going Concern Parties an opportunity to engage with DNRED regarding issues related to the continued operation of the Caribou mine, and the assets related to the Restigouche and Halfmile mines, primarily relating to the Claims, Mining Leases, and Crown land leases, and care and maintenance and environmental remediation obligations related to the mines.
- 27. Prior to the commencement of the Tender Process, one of the Going Concern Parties, Eagle Pass Mining Corp. ("EPMC"), submitted a non-binding offer to the Receiver to purchase all of the assets of TNB including the Real Property Assets held by TNB in addition to substantially all of the assets of TMM.
- 28. Subsequent to the Bid Deadline, the Receiver continued to engage in discussions with the Going Concern Parties, including EPMC.
- 29. On August 22, 2023, the Receiver forwarded a letter to each of the Going Concern Parties advising that: due to the winter weather challenges presented in rural New Brunswick, the Receiver did not want to delay the timing for an equipment auction. Accordingly, any party wishing to submit a binding offer needed to do so prior to September 5, 2023.
- 30. Subsequent to delivery of the above noted letter, further discussions ensued between representatives for EPMC, the Receiver and DNRED.
- 31. On August 31, 2023, the Receiver was advised by EPMC that they were in discussions with DNRED on a number of issues and they hoped to be in a position to submit an offer in the near future.
- 32. On September 19, 2023, EPMC forwarded a second non-binding offer (the "September 2023 Offer") to the Receiver and DNRED. However, the September 2023 Offer included

conditions outside the control of the Receiver including an agreement with DNRED for the transfer of the Claims, Mineral Leases, and Crown land leases and agreements with GNB related to the on-going care and maintenance of the mines and the long-term environmental liabilities associated with the mines. The September 2023 Offer also requested a period of exclusivity be given to EPMC by the Receiver and GNB, to allow for the various agreements to be negotiated and finalized.

- 33. Following an exchange of email correspondence between the Receiver and EPMC clarifying some of the terms of the September 2023 Offer, the Receiver consulted with DNRED regarding EPMC's request for a period of exclusivity. The Receiver was advised that, although GNB, in its role as regulator, could not agree to a period of exclusivity, DNRED was prepared to engage and was engaging in discussions with EPMC regarding the terms of the agreements as outlined in the September 2023 Offer.
- 34. Given the offer price as indicated in the September 2023 Offer exceeds the anticipated recovery generated by an auction of the Property, the Receiver offered to draft a term sheet (the "Term Sheet") that would establish critical timelines for advancing the September 2023 Offer to a binding agreement of purchase and sale.
- 35. After several weeks of negotiations between the Receiver's counsel and EPMC's counsel, on November 6, 2023, the Term Sheet was finalized and executed by the Receiver and EPMC. A copy of the Term Sheet is attached as Appendix "B".
- 36. Pursuant to the Term Sheet, EPMC's obligation to complete the purchase of the Assets is subject to the following conditions precedent:
 - a. entering into a memorandum of understanding regarding the intended terms of a
 Limited Environmental Liability Agreement ("LELA") and the process and
 timing of hand over of care and maintenance from GNB to EPMC;
 - b. EPMC completing legal and financial due diligence;

- c. negotiating the terms of the TNB APA and the TMM APA with the Receiver and Monitor;
- d. negotiating and settling the terms of the LELA;
- e. negotiating and settling the terms of the process and timing of the handover of care and maintenance responsibilities from GNB to EPMC, including a funding agreement (the "Funding Agreement"); and
- f. obtaining the Court's approval of the asset purchase agreements and vesting orders.
- 37. The target date for satisfying the conditions precedent and completion of the TNB APA was set for 120 days after execution of the Term Sheet.
- 38. A deposit in the amount of \$225,000 was paid to the Receiver's counsel and is being held in trust. The deposit is to be applied toward the purchase price on closing of the TNB APA.
- 39. Subsequent to the signing of the Term Sheet, the Receiver, the Monitor and its counsel have been working with EPMC and its counsel to satisfy the conditions precedent.
- 40. The Receiver is advised by DNRED that GNB also conducted due diligence in relation to EPMC and the suitability of EPMC as a participant in mining operations in the Province of New Brunswick.
- 41. Concurrently, EPMC and its counsel have been working with GNB and its counsel to negotiate the LELA and the Funding Agreement, which are critical components of the Transactions from both EPMC's and GNB's perspectives.
- 42. The Term Sheet was amended three times to, among other things, extend the outside closing date to allow time for the agreements to be finalized.

- 43. At the request of EPMC and with the consent of the Receiver, in early January 2024 the Term Sheet was assigned to Bathurst Metals Corp. which subsequently changed its name to Bathurst Metallic Corp. ("BMC").
- 44. On April 27, 2024, the TNB APA was finalized and executed, a copy of which is attached as Appendix "C" to this report.

SETTLEMENT AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

- 45. Since the commencement of the Receivership Proceedings, the Receiver understands from DNRED that it has stepped in as regulator to perform required care and maintenance activities to mitigate environmental consequences at the sites of the Caribou, Restigouche, and Halfmile mines, while also planning for environmental remediation. These activities have also had the effect of maintaining the mines and preserving the ability to restart operation, particularly at the Caribou mine, if a going-concern purchaser could be identified.
- 46. At the time of the September 2023 Offer, DNRED advised the Receiver that the Claims were currently held in a "protected" state and that the Claims would need to be returned to an unprotected status in order to transfer them from GNB to a new purchaser. DNRED further advised that GNB's consent would be required to transfer any of the Mining Leases or Crown land leases to a purchaser.
- 47. DNRED indicated its intention to work cooperatively with the Receiver and Monitor to effect a transfer of the Real Property Assets, and that it would address GNB's position as to its rights to the sale proceeds if the September 2023 Offer progressed.
- 48. As detailed previously, the September 2023 Offer was converted into a Term Sheet and by December 2023 significant progress had been made toward satisfying the conditions precedent in the Term Sheet. At this time, DNRED expressed its desire to re-engage with the Receiver and Monitor regarding an allocation of the purchase price to GNB in respect of its various claims and rights, and the environmental obligations related to the mines.

- 49. The DNRED provided the Receiver with a schedule summarizing its claims along with the details of expenses incurred in maintaining the mine since January 2023.
- 50. The claims set out by DNRED can be divided into three categories as follows:
 - a. amounts required to be paid for outstanding real property taxes and outstanding taxes under the *Metallic Minerals Tax Act*, to put the Mining Leases in good standing so that they can be transferred to BMC (the "Good Standing Amounts");
 - b. costs incurred by DNRED related to keeping the mine de-watered, maintaining the mine site in a safe and accessible state and ensuring that the mines remained in continued compliance with provincial laws and regulations (the "Maintenance Amounts"); and
 - c. amounts alleged to be owing by TNB and TMM in relation to TNB's and TMM's ongoing environmental obligations, which included (i) ongoing care and maintenance obligations and costs incurred by DNRED in relation thereto, (ii) obligations pursuant to TNB's Limited Environmental Liability Agreement, and (iii) unpaid environmental remediation obligations (the "Ongoing Environmental Obligations").
- 51. As of February 2024, the total of the Good Standing Amounts for TNB was approximately \$1.832 million and for TMM was \$98,000, consisting of:
 - a. \$71,000 for unpaid Crown land leases in respect of TNB and \$18,000 in respect of TMM;
 - b. \$41,000 for arrears on TNB mining leases and \$5,000 for TMM mining leases;
 - c. \$1.272 million for unremitted Metallic Minerals Tax due from TNB;
 - d. \$2,000 for unpaid mineral claims for TNB and \$23,000 for TMM; and

- e. \$446,000 for unpaid property taxes with respect to leases on real property for TNB and \$53,000 for TMM.
- 52. As of February 2024, the total value of Maintenance Amounts was \$5.2 million with respect to TNB.
- 53. DNRED's position is that the Ongoing Environmental Obligations are in the millions of dollars and in excess of the sale proceeds.
- 54. The Receiver consulted with its legal counsel and was advised as follows:
 - a. pursuant to the *Metallic Minerals Tax Act* of New Brunswick, a lien exists over the mines, land occupied by the mines, minerals, and all machinery of TNB, among other potential statutory liens;
 - b. GNB's consent is required for the transfer of the Mining Leases and Crown land leases and to alter the protected status of the mineral claims so that the Claims can be transferred from GNB to a purchaser; and
 - c. GNB's support and consent is required for the LELA and the Funding Agreement, which are two critical conditions precedent to the Transactions.
- 55. Based on counsel's advice, the Receiver was of the view that the Good Standing Payments would need to be paid to GNB in order to convey the assets to BMC pursuant to the TNB APA.
- 56. In addition to the Good Standing Payments of approximately \$1.832 million, the amounts set out by DNRED as accrued and accruing to GNB with respect to the Maintenance Amounts and the Ongoing Environmental Obligations exceeded any potential realizable value for the assets of TNB and TMM.

- 57. The value required to accrue to GNB to ensure the support of GNB, including the LELA, the Funding Agreement, and the transfer of the Claims and the Mineral Leases, was subject to negotiation as between the Receiver and DNRED on behalf of GNB. After several meetings, GNB set out its requirement that GNB receive a minimum of \$4.75 million from the closing proceeds of the TNB APA and the TMM APA (the "Settlement Amount").
- 58. The Receiver agreed to seek approval of the Settlement Amount for the following reasons:
 - a. the TNB APA and the TMM APA results in a better recovery than an auction of TNB's equipment;
 - b. as described in previous reports, the New Brunswick Department of Environment and Local Government ("DELG") advised the Receiver of DELG's position that (i) any attempt by the Receiver to remove TNB's equipment from the site would trigger an obligation to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment in respect of the entire Caribou mine (an "EIA"), and (ii) such an EIA must be completed prior to the removal of TNB's equipment from the site;
 - c. challenging DELG's position through the courts or complying with the preparation of an EIA could result in substantial costs and associated delay;
 - d. the transactions contemplated by the TNB APA and the TMM APA could not close without the support of GNB, including consent to the LELA, the Funding Agreement, and the transfer of the Claims, Mineral Leases and Crown land leases; and
 - e. closing the TNB APA and the TMM APA would benefit other stakeholders including future employees of the mine, tax authorities, local businesses and suppliers.

- 59. As a result of the foregoing, the Receiver and GNB entered into the Settlement and Support Agreement, the principal terms of which are summarized as follows:
 - a. upon closing the TNB APA, \$4 million will be paid by the Receiver to GNB from the TNB APA closing proceeds and \$750,000 will be paid by the Monitor, on behalf of TMM, to GNB from the TMM APA closing proceeds;
 - b. the Receiver and the Monitor will seek the approval of this Honourable Court of the Settlement Amount pursuant to the Settlement and Support Agreement;
 - c. upon the granting of the Settlement Order and the payment of the Settlement Amount by the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMM, GNB will release all claims against the residual closing proceeds from the TNB APA and the TMM APA; and
 - d. GNB will consent to and support the Receiver's application with respect to the approval of the TNB APA and TMM APA.
- 60. The Receiver is advised by GNB's counsel that the Settlement and Support Agreement has received Cabinet approval and that it is on the Minister's desk for signing.
- 61. A copy of the finalized form of Settlement and Support Agreement is attached as Appendix "**D**" to this report.

TNB APA

- 62. The only remaining condition of the Term Sheet to be fulfilled is approval of the TNB APA and the granting of the TNB AVO.
- 63. A summary of the principal terms of the TNB APA are as follows:
 - a. the purchase price for all of the Assets of TNB (as defined in the TNB APA) is\$6.5 million (the "Purchase Price");

- b. the deposit in the amount of \$225,000 will be applied on account of the Purchase Price at closing;
- at the time of signing the TNB APA, the target closing date was set as June 7,
 2024, however by mutual agreement among the parties it has been extended to
 July 18, 2024;
- d. the Purchaser will promptly and in a timely manner provide written requests, execute and deliver all required documents and materials and perform all necessary and required actions to obtain the approvals to the transfer to the Purchaser of the Claims, the Mining Leases, and the Crown land leases;
- e. the Purchaser will assume all environmental liabilities associated with the mining assets subject to the LELA negotiated with GNB; and
- f. the Purchaser's obligation to close the TNB APA is subject to the Receiver obtaining an order of this Honourable Court expanding the Receivership Order to include the Real Property Assets and approving the TNB APA.
- 64. The Receiver's high-level comments with respect to the TNB APA are as follows:
 - a. the Tender Process was fair and transparent and provided all participants with equal access to information and opportunity to submit an offer;
 - the Purchase Price and other terms of the TNB APA are reasonable and fair considering its market value as determined through the Tender Process;
 - c. the timelines, conditions and other key terms of the TNB APA are commercially reasonable in the circumstances, based on the Receiver's experience with similar transactions in the context of insolvency and restructuring proceedings;

- d. the Receiver is satisfied that BMC has the wherewithal to complete the transactions contemplated by the TNB APA;
- e. the TNB APA cannot close without the support of GNB; and
- f. the TNB APA will provide for a going-concern transaction to allow the potential operation and continued investment in the Caribou mine to the benefit of employees and the local community in and around Bathurst, New Brunswick, offering greater benefit than a forced liquidation of the Property.
- 65. Overall, the TNB APA is the best offer resulting from multiple sales processes and will result in reasonable recoveries to the stakeholders of TNB in a timely manner, and is in the best interests of TNB's stakeholders.

CLAIMS SUMMARY

- 66. As discussed above, a Claims Process was established in the CCAA Proceedings which included the evaluation of claims against TNB. There are three primary unresolved claims relating to TNB, as follows:
 - a. XL Specialty Insurance Company (the "XL Claim") which has filed a secured, contingent claim in the amount of \$6.6 million in relation to bonds it has issued in favour of GNB. It is expected that once a going-concern transaction is consummated in respect of TNB, this claim will be able to be determined;
 - b. the CRA in respect of post-filing amounts owing for HST totalling \$550,000, including penalties and interest of approximately \$38,000. A further \$976,000, including \$283,000 of interest and penalties, has been accepted in the CCAA Proceedings in respect of pre-filing HST amounts owing. The total balance of approximately \$1.5 million is primarily related to uncollected HST on sales to Glencore which were set off against amounts owing under its offtake agreement with TNB. Glencore disputes that this amount is owing and an application to

resolve the matter is expected to be heard by this Honourable Court in the coming months. The CRA has also recently filed a claim in the Receivership Proceedings and the Receiver is in the process of reconciling the new amounts claimed to what was previously submitted in the CCAA Proceedings; and

- c. Redpath Canada Limited in respect of a secured claim (the "Redpath Claim") in the amount of \$7.9 million. The Redpath Claim remains unresolved pending a review of the claimed security.
- 67. There are also certain additional claimants that have filed liens against the real property of TNB, totalling approximately \$1.3 million. The Monitor anticipates addressing the status of the security of each of these claims prior to any application for a distribution order.

RECEIVER'S INTERIM STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

68. A summary of the Receiver's cash receipts and disbursements for the period from January 24, 2023 to June 18, 2024, is summarized below:

Trevali NB		777
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements		
Seventy-Three Week Period Ending June 18, 2024		J-1
(CAD Thousands)		Actual
Receipts		
Transfer of cash on hand	5	216
Equipment rental fee		646
Vendor deposits		5.7
Bank interest		25
Total Receipts		943
Disbursements		
Insurance		(84)
Costs incurred to ready equipment for sale		(42)
Receiver's fees and expenses		(461)
Legal fees and expenses		(262)
GST		(16)
Other operating disbursements		(0)
Total Disbursements		(866)
Ending Cash	\$	77

- 69. The Receiver is holding approximately \$77,000 in its estate trust accounts, comprised of the following receipts and disbursements:
 - a. cash of approximately \$216,000 that was transferred to the Receiver's estate accounts at the instruction of the Receiver;
 - b. rental fees from DNRED of approximately \$646,000 covering the period to April 30, 2024;
 - c. vendor deposits recovered by the Receiver totaling approximately \$57,000;
 - d. insurance costs of \$84,000 for property and general liability coverage to July 24,
 2024;
 - e. costs incurred to prepare the equipment for sale of approximately \$42,000; and
 - f. Receiver's fees and expenses and Receiver's legal counsel's fees and expenses of approximately \$461,000 and \$262,000, respectively.

NEXT STEPS

- 70. Over the course of the next several weeks, the Receiver and Monitor, where appropriate, intend to:
 - a. complete the transactions contemplated by the TNB APA, subject to this Honourable Court granting the TNB AVO;
 - b. resolve remaining outstanding creditor claims;
 - c. resolve collection of outstanding HST amounts from Glencore with an application anticipated to be heard by this Honourable Court in September 2024; and

d. return before this Honourable Court in the near future for the approval of a distribution order.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 71. Overall, the transactions contemplated by the TNB APA represent the highest and best recoveries available to the stakeholders of TNB while allowing for the transition of the mine to new ownership and is in the best interests of TNB's stakeholders.
- 72. Given the transactions contemplated by the TNB APA and the TMM APA could not close without the support of GNB and the value and nature of GNB's claims, the Settlement Amount and Settlement and Support Agreement is commercially reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances.
- 73. Based on the forgoing, the Receiver respectfully recommends that this Honourable Court grant the following orders:
 - a. the TNB AVO; and
 - b. the Settlement Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted this 5th day of July, 2024.

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in its capacity as Receiver of

Trevali Maing (New Brunswick) Ltd.

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APPENDIX A



Mining Equipment – Invitation for Offers to Purchase







Background

On January 9, 2023 the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") granted an order (the "Receivership Order") appointing FTI Consulting Canada Inc. ("FTI") as Receiver, without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("Trevali NB"), including all proceeds thereof, other than any real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by Trevali NB (the "Property").

FTI, in its capacity as receiver (the "Receiver") of the Property, is seeking offers to purchase Trevali NB's right, title and interest in the rolling stock and parts inventory subject to the Receivership Order (the "Equipment").

Asset Description

The rolling stock comprises drills, loaders, bolters, lifts, excavators, trucks and other assorted mining equipment, including the following key, high-value items:

- Sandvik Underground Production Drill Rig (model DL421-15C)
- Sandvik Underground Bolter (model DS421)
- Two Sandvik Underground Development Drill Rigs (model DD321)
- Sandvik Underground Haul Truck (model TH540)
- Sandvik Underground Scooptram (model LH514)
- MacLean Underground Bolter (model MEM975)

Offer Process for the Equipment

Any interested party may request access to an electronic data room including photographs of the Equipment and the Receiver's prescribed form of offer.

Site visits to inspect the Equipment will be arranged upon request with the Receiver.

The timeline for the process is as follows:

- June 5 to June 20, 2023 access to the electronic data room and initial due diligence
- June 21 to June 23, 2023 site visits for interested parties as arranged with the Receiver
- June 30, 2023 (4pm Pacific Daylight Time) deadline for submitting offers
- July 1, 2023 to August 4, 2023 Receiver will negotiate with one or more parties to finalize an
 agreement of purchase and sale and seek Court approval of such agreement



Parties may bid for all of the Equipment or select items of the Equipment, however preference will be given to parties that bid on all of the Equipment.

The Receiver may at any time extend, alter or modify the time periods set out herein in its sole discretion. The Receiver reserves its right not to accept any offers and may withdraw from the process altogether without ascribing any reason thereto and without any liability to any interested party.

Inquiries Relating to the Equipment

Inquiries or requests for information relating to the Equipment should be directed to the Receiver only and at the contact details at the bottom of this page.

Records relating to the receivership of Trevali NB can be found on the Receiver's website (http://cfcanada.fticonsulting.com/Trevali/receivership.htm).

Inquiries Relating to the Real Property, Mineral Claims, Mining Leases and Real Property Leases

As noted, the Receivership Order does not include the real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by Trevali NB. For questions about the process to effect a transfer of those assets, parties should contact FTI in its capacity as monitor. Any inquiries about government consents required for the transfer of a mining lease should be directed to the Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development at the Government of New Brunswick: Jennifer Welles, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister: Jennifer.Welles@gnb.ca.











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Mining Equipment – Form of Offer

To:		FTI Consulting Ca	nada Inc.			
		in its capacity as				
		Trevali Mining (N	ew Brunswick) Ltd.			
		Suite 1450, P.O. I	3ox 10089			
		701 West Georgi	a St.			
		Vancouver, BC V	7Y 1B6			
Atte	ention:	Craig Munro / Hu	ıw Parks			
		Craig.Munro@fti	<u>consulting.com</u> / <u>Ηι</u>	ıw.Parks@fticonsul	ting.com	
1.						
	(Nam	e of Purchaser issui	ng Offer)			
2.						
	(Addr	ress of Purchaser)				
3.					<u></u>	
	(Phor	ne Number)				
4.						
	(Cont	act Person)				
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5.	The tota	l amount hereby off	ered is:		\$	
6.	This Offe	er must be considere	ed as an en bloc offe	er (Yes / No)		
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7.	If you ha	ve answered no to '	6.' above, complete	Schedule A detailir	ng the amount offered for each	piece of
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8.	This Offe	er is irrevocable. We	acknowledge and c	onfirm that this Off	er is governed by the Terms and	d Conditions of
	Sale atta	ched hereto as Sche	edule B.			
9.				~	ust as a deposit in the amount o	f\$
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Schedule A - Itemized list of the Equipment				
# Make	Model	Equipment ID	Description	Offer (\$
1 CAT	918M	VL-03	Wheel Loader	
2 CAT	930Н	VL-01	Wheel Loader	
3 CAT	938K	VL-02	Wheel Loader	
4 CAT	120K	330C03	Motor Grader	
5 CAT	TL642C	[Unknown]	Telehandler	
6 CAT	279D	[Unknown]	Skidsteer	
7 CAT	301	[Unknown]	Mini-Excavator	
8 Bobcat	MT55	MT55	Mini-Loader	
9 Ford	F150	[Unknown]	Pick-Up Truck	
10 Ford	F150	[Unknown]	Pick-Up Truck	
11 Chevrolet	[Unknown]	LV02	Pick-Up Truck	
12 Sandvik	DD321	DD-001	UG Developmental Drill Rig	
13 Sandvik	DD321	DD-002	UG Developmental Drill Rig	
14 Sandvik	DL421-15C	LD-003	UG Production Drill Rig	
15 MacLean	MEM975	BD-005	UG Bolter	
16 Sandvik	DS421	CD-004	UG Bolter	
17 Sandvik	TH540	UT007	UG Haul Truck	
18 Sandvik	LH514	[Unknown]	UG Scooptram	
19 Getman	A-64	BT-001	UG Utility Vehicle	
20 Getman	A-64	ULT002	UG Utility Vehicle	
21 MineCat	MC100G	6,546	UG Utility Vehicle	
22 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC011	UG Personnel Carrier	
23 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC007	UG Personnel Carrier	
24 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC002	UG Personnel Carrier	
25 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC010	UG Personnel Carrier	
26 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC008	UG Personnel Carrier	
27 Amiko	AM-197	[Unknown]	Custom Made Charging Unit	
28 McLellan	4Kx22x7	[Unknown]	Mill Liner	
29 Weasel	[Unknown]	MW-3233	Air Drill	
30 Walden	[Unknown]	SD-01	Scissor Lift	
31 Walden	[Unknown]	SD-02	Scissor Lift	
32 Bombardier	B190-B269 (Tundra (E))	[Unknown]	Snow mobile	
Subtotal				
33 N/A	N/A	N/A	Parts Inventory	
Total	•	•	<u> </u>	

Total



Schedule B – Terms and Conditions of Sale

- 1. FTI Consulting Canada Inc. ("FTI"), in its capacity as Receiver, without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("Trevali NB"), including all proceeds thereof, other than any real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by Trevali NB (collectively, the "Property"), will consider written offers (each, an "Offer") from prospective purchasers (each, a "Purchaser") to purchase Trevali NB's right, title and interest in the rolling stock and parts inventory subject to the Receivership Order.
- 2. All Offers must be received by the Receiver's designated representative by 4 pm Pacific Daylight Time on June 30, 2023.
- 3. Terms capitalized but not otherwise defined in these Terms and Conditions of Sale shall have the meaning set out in the Invitation for Offers to Purchase provided to each applicable prospective purchaser by the Receiver.
- 4. By submitting an Offer, the Purchaser acknowledges that it has inspected the assets and that the assets are sold on an "as-is, where-is" basis at the time of closing and that no representation, warranty or condition is expressed or implied as to title, description, fitness for purpose, merchantability, quantity, condition, cost, or quality thereof or compliance of any parcel of assets with or in respect of anything whatsoever. Without limitation, all rolling stock and parts inventory are specifically offered as they exist on closing with no adjustments to be allowed to the Purchaser for changes in conditions, qualities or quantities of such assets from the date hereof to the Closing Date. The Purchaser acknowledges that the Receiver is not required to inspect, count, or provide any inspection or counting of the applicable assets or any part thereof and the Purchaser shall be deemed to have relied entirely on its own inspection and investigation of any assets to satisfy the Purchaser as to the effects of any laws, regulations or requirements upon any assets or the transfer by the Receiver to the Purchaser of any assets. It shall be the Purchaser's sole responsibility to obtain, at its own expense, any consent to such transfer and any further documents of assurances which are necessary or desirable in the circumstances.
- 5. The Receiver shall not be required to produce any tax certificate, clearance certificate, abstract of title or documents or copies thereof or any evidence as to title, other than those in its actual possession.
- 6. The Receiver shall remain in possession of the applicable Property until the purchase price in respect thereof has been paid in full.
- 7. All Offers must include a fully completed Form of Offer. Supplemental information must be in written form, signed by a duly authorized officer of the Purchaser. Offers received that are not in the attached form or which amend the attached form may, at the sole discretion of the Receiver, be rejected.
- 8. All Offers must be accompanied by a bank draft or certified cheque payable to "FTI Consulting Canada Inc. in Trust" in an amount equal to not less than 10% of the gross purchase price offered for the applicable assets. If the offer is accepted, this draft or cheque shall be deemed a non-refundable cash deposit and shall be forfeited to the Receiver on account of liquidated damages if the contemplated sale is not completed by the Purchaser by reason of the Purchaser's default. Acceptance of any Offer is subject to the Receiver and the Purchaser entering into an agreement of purchase and sale (each, an "Agreement of Purchase and Sale") on terms and conditions acceptable to the Receiver. The Agreement of Purchase and Sale will be subject only to approval by the Court and, as applicable, the Government of New Brunswick.
- 9. In consideration of the Receiver making available to Purchasers these Terms and Conditions of Sale, any other information, and the opportunity of inspection, and / or in consideration of receiving and considering any Offer



to be submitted hereunder, each Purchaser agrees that its Offer is irrevocable and cannot be retracted, withdrawn, varied or countermanded prior to acceptance of rejection thereof.

- 10. In the event that some of the Offers are substantially in the same terms and / or amounts as determined by the Receiver, the Receiver may, in its sole discretion, call upon those Purchasers to re-submit an Offer to the Receiver for its final consideration. Each Purchaser is in agreement that the re-submission contemplated under this section is a fair and reasonable manner of proceeding in the case of Offers in substantially the same terms and / or amounts.
- 11. Offers may be made for all or any constituent assets of the Equipment. Offers submitted for more than one asset must specifically allocate a separate price for each asset and will be considered as a separate Offer for each asset unless otherwise indicated as an en bloc offer.
- 12. Offers to liquidate the Equipment must contain a net minimum guaranteed return to the Receiver and will be subject to the liquidator and the Receiver entering into an auction services agreement on terms satisfactory to the Receiver. Where the Purchaser withdraws its Offer after June 30, 2023, and before the date on which the party receives notification of the decision made regarding the Offers, the deposit shall be forfeited on account of liquidated damages by the Purchaser to the Receiver.
- 13. Cheques or drafts accompanying Offers that are not accepted by the Receiver shall be returned to the party by pre-paid registered mail, addressed to the party at the address set forth in its Offer on or before July 14, 2023.
- 14. The balance of the purchase price, subject to normal adjustments, shall be paid on or before closing which shall be no later than August 4, 2023 (the "Closing Date") or such other date as may be agreed as between the Purchaser and the Receiver. The closing shall take place at the offices of the Receiver's legal counsel, Dentons Canada LLP in Vancouver, British Columbia.
- 15. The Purchaser shall pay to the Receiver on closing, in addition to the balance of the purchase price, all applicable federal and provincial taxes, unless the applicable exemption certificates are presented to the Receiver on or before the Closing Date.
- 16. The Purchaser shall be solely responsible for costs, on to or in the premises, if any, of removing the purchased Property and returning the premises to broom-swept condition after removal. These costs shall include the removal or cleanup of any hazardous substances released, on to or in the premises, as a result of the decommissioning, demobilization or removal of the purchased Property.
- 17. The Purchaser shall assume, at the Purchaser's cost, complete responsibility for compliance with all laws including municipal, provincial and federal laws insofar as the same apply to the purchased Property and the use thereof by the Purchaser.
- 18. The highest or any Offer shall not necessarily be accepted. Each Purchaser agrees that the Receiver shall be entitled to accept whichever Offer, if any, the Receiver in its sole unrestricted discretion considers to be the most advantageous.
- 19. The Receiver reserves the right to amend or terminate the sale process at any time, including without limitation as described in the Invitation for Offers to Purchase.
- 20. The obligation of the Receiver to complete any Agreement of Purchase and Sale shall be relieved if, on or before the Closing Date, any asset which is the subject of an Agreement of Purchase and Sale is removed from the



control of the Receiver by any means or process. In that case, the sole obligation of the Receiver to the Purchaser shall be to return the deposit without interest or deduction.

- 21. The submission of an Offer to the Receiver shall constitute an acknowledgment and an acceptance by the prospective Purchaser of these Terms and Conditions of Sale.
- 22. The validity and interpretation of these Terms and Conditions of Sale, and each provision and part thereof and of any Agreement of Purchase and Sale as defined herein, shall be governed by the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the Supreme Court of British Columbia shall have exclusive jurisdiction with respect to any dispute arising out of these Terms and Conditions of Sale or any Agreement of Purchase and Sale entered into pursuant hereto.
- 23. All stipulations as to time are strictly of the essence.
- 24. FTI is acting in its capacity as Receiver of the Property and not in its personal capacity.

APPENDIX B

TERM SHEET FOR POTENTIAL ACQUISITION CONCERNING THE ASSETS OF TREVALI NB AND TREVALI MARITIMES

This Term Sheet (the "**Term Sheet**") dated as of November 6, 2023, summarizes the principal terms of a proposed purchase and sale (the "**Transaction**") of the key assets relating to the Caribou mine (the "**Caribou Mine**") and the Restigouche mine (the "**Restigouche Mine**") located in Bathurst, New Brunswick, Canada, as well as certain assets of Trevali Maritimes relating to the Halfmile mine (the "**Halfmile Mine**"), whereby Eagle Pass Mining Corp., a New Brunswick corporation ("**Eagle Pass**") would purchase the Assets (as defined herein).

FTI Consulting Canada Inc. ("FTI"), in its capacity as court-appointed monitor (the "Monitor") of Trevali Mining Corporation, a British Columbia corporation ("TMC") in Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act proceedings before the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court"), and in its capacity as court-appointed receiver (the "Receiver"), without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd., a New Brunswick corporation ("Trevali NB"), including all proceeds thereof, other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by Trevali NB, would facilitate the transfer of the Assets (as defined below). TMC is the sole, direct shareholder of both Trevali NB, a New Brunswick corporation ("Trevali NB") and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. an Ontario corporation ("Trevali Maritimes"). There are no longer any directors or officers of TMC, Trevali NB and Trevali Maritimes.

Eagle Pass would purchase:

- i) for an amount of Cdn.\$6,500,000:
 - a. pursuant to the tender process run by the Receiver, all of the assets, undertaking and property
 of Trevali NB, other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases
 owned or held by Trevali NB; and
 - b. the Monitor will facilitate the sale or transfer of Trevali NB's real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases capable of transfer, by which Eagle Pass will acquire the ownership of such interests either: through a transfer from Trevali NB or the NB Government (defined below), as applicable; or by way of an acquisition of the shares in the capital of Trevali NB; and
- ii) for an amount of Cdn. \$1,000,000, pursuant to a process facilitated by the Monitor, all of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Maritimes.

Other than in regards to the assets over which FTI is appointed Receiver, FTI is acting as facilitator and has no current Court-ordered power to convey assets of Trevali NB or Trevali Maritimes and as such, assuming that the Conditions Precedent (as defined below) are satisfied, FTI will seek any and all required orders of the Court to accomplish same, including without limitation the Sale Approval Order.

	Term	Description		
1. Trans	action cure	Subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the relevant Conditions Precedent summarized in Section 11 hereof, on the completion date of the proposed Transaction: (i) Eagle Pass will purchase the Assets (as such term is defined in Section 6 hereof);		
		And (ii) subject to the terms of agreements which have yet to be negotiated and settled between Eagle Pass and the Government of New Brunswick (the "NB Government"), Eagle Pass will assume responsibility for environmental remediation and reclamation and continued care and maintenance of the Caribou Mine site, the Restigouche Mine site and the Halfmile Mine site (the "Sites").		
		Subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the relevant Conditions Precedent summarized in Section 11 hereof, the completion date for the proposed transaction (the "Completion Date") will be the day that is 120 days after fully executed copies of this Term Sheet, which will occur in accordance with the Definitive Agreements (as defined in Section 3 hereof) and the terms of the Transaction and all ancillary documents prepared in connection therewith are approved by an order (the "Sale Approval Order") of the Court (the "Court Approval Date").		
2. About	Eagle Pass	Eagle Pass' principal business concerns the acquisition, exploration and development of mining properties. Eagle Pass is headquartered in Bathurst.		
		For more information on Eagle Pass refer to the Comprehensive Offer for the Assets of Trevali NB and Trevali Maritimes dated September 19, 2023 that was previously submitted by Eagle Pass to the Receiver, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "A" (the "Offer").		
3. Defini Agree	tive ments	Following acceptance of this Term Sheet by the Receiver and the Monitor, Eagle Pass, the Receiver, and the Monitor will each work towards the preparation of the following documents:		
		 (a) a limited environmental liability agreement to be entered into by Eagle Pass and the NB Government regarding the obligations of the parties concerning environmental remediation and reclamation of the Caribou Mine Site (the "Caribou LELA"); 		
		(b) a limited environmental liability agreement to be entered into by Eagle Pass and the NB Government regarding the obligations of the parties concerning environmental remediation and reclamation of the Restigouche Mine site (the "Restigouche LELA" and together with the Caribou LELA, the "LELAs");		
		(c) an asset purchase agreement (the "Asset Purchase Agreement") to be entered into by Eagle Pass, the Receiver, and the Monitor, whereby Eagle Pass will purchase the Assets; and		
		(d) such other documents, agreements, instruments, directions, applications, and certificates (collectively, the "Other Documents") as may be determined by the Receiver and Eagle Pass, and the Monitor and Eagle Pass, as necessary or advisable to complete the Transaction		
		(collectively, the "Definitive Agreements").		
		The Definitive Agreements will be in a form and containing substance satisfactory to both the Receiver and Eagle Pass, and the Monitor and Eagle Pass, each acting reasonably, and will be conditional upon the Court granting the Sale Approval Order and an Approval and Vesting Order, both in form and substance satisfactory		

	Term	Description		
		to the Receiver, Monitor and Eagle Pass, among other things, vesting the Assets of Trevali NB and Trevali Maritimes capable of transfer, free and clear of all encumbrances to Eagle Pass.		
4.	Care and Maintenance	Eagle Pass will assume responsibility for continued care and maintenance of the Sites following the Court Approval Date or such other date as may be agreed between Eagle Pass and the NB Government.		
5.	Environmental Remediation	Pursuant and subject to the LELAs, Eagle Pass will assume responsibility for environmental remediation of the Sites following the Completion Date.		
6.	Assets to be Purchased	Pursuant and subject to the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement, the assets to be purchased by Eagle Pass are those assets as generally set forth in the Offer, comprised as follows:		
		 those categories of assets held by Trevali NB, and listed in the attached Schedule B, including the buildings and structures identified on the surface image included in Schedule B, and any other assets related to the operation of the Caribou Mine and the Restigouche Mine (the "Trevali NB Assets"); and 		
		 similar to 1 above, the same categories of assets held by Trevali Maritimes, and any other assets related to the operation of the Halfmile Mine (the "Trevali Maritimes Assets"); 		
		(collectively, the "Assets").		
7.	Purchase Price for the Assets	The purchase price paid by Eagle Pass for the Assets on the Completion Date, will total Cdn.\$7,500,000, comprised of the following amounts:		
		1) Cdn.\$6,500,000, for the Trevali NB Assets; and		
		2) Cdn.\$1,000,000 for the Trevali Maritimes Assets.		
		(together, the "Purchase Price")		
8.	As Is, Where Is	Eagle Pass will purchase the Assets on an "as is, where is" basis without any surviving representations, warranties covenants or indemnities of any kind, nature or description by the Receiver or the Monitor, except to the extent expressly set forth in the Asset Purchase Agreement.		
9.	Deposit	An amount of Cdn.\$225,000 (the " Deposit ") will be paid in trust to the Receiver's and Monitor's solicitors, Dentons Canada LLP, within five business days of the acceptance and execution of this Term Sheet by Eagle Pass, the Receiver and the Monitor.		
		The Deposit will be credited toward the Purchase Price and will be paid in accordance with the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement. The Deposit will be refunded to Eagle Pass if this Term Sheet and the Asset Purchase Agreement are not approved by the Court on the Court Approval Date or if the Conditions Precedent set forth in Section 11 are not waived or declared fulfilled on or before the day which is 90 days following the date of this Term Sheet.		
10.	Authorizations	Following execution of the Asset Purchase Agreement, Eagle Pass will submit applications to the NB Government to obtain approval for the transfer of licences and permits currently held by TMC, Trevali NB or Trevali Maritimes with respect to the maintenance and operation of the Sites (collectively, the "Authorizations")		
		The Receiver and Monitor will cooperate with Eagle Pass with respect to the applications submitted by Eagle Pass for the Authorizations and will, upon request		

Term	Description
	from Eagle Pass, execute and deliver documents prepared by Eagle Pass consenting to the applications including but not limited to any necessary agency or transfer agreements.
11. Conditions Precedent	Eagle Pass' obligation to complete the purchase and sale of the Assets and pay the balance of the Purchase Price will be subject to:
	 (a) entering into a Memorandum of Understanding in regards to the intended terms of the LELAs and of the process and timing of hand over of the care and maintenance responsibilities from the NB Government to Eagle Pass;
	(b) the completion by Eagle Pass of its legal and financial due diligence concerning the Assets including the Sites, to Eagle Pass' satisfaction, to be confirmed or waived within 60 days following execution of this Term Sheet;
	(c) the negotiation and settling of the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement and the Other Documents with the Receiver and the Monitor, to be satisfied within 90 days following execution of this Term Sheet;
	(d) the negotiation and settling of the terms of the LELAs regarding Eagle Pass' obligations with respect to the subsequent environmental remediation and reclamation of the Sites to be satisfied within 90 days following execution of this Term Sheet;
	(e) the negotiation and settling of the process and timing of hand over of the care and maintenance responsibilities from the NB Government to Eagle Pass, to be satisfied within 90 days following execution of this Term Sheet; and
	(f) the Monitor's and the Receiver's receipt of a Sale Approval Order, the Approval and Vesting Order or such other approval order of the Court as may be required, in form and substance satisfactory to the Monitor, the Receiver and Eagle Pass:
	(collectively, the "Conditions Precedent").
	The Receiver and Monitor will utilize commercially reasonable efforts to assist Eagle Pass in the satisfaction of the Conditions Precedent.
	The Conditions Precedent will be for the sole benefit of Eagle Pass, except for 11(f) herein which shall be for the benefit of both Eagle Pass as well as the Receiver and Monitor, and must be waived or declared fulfilled on or before the days indicated herein following the execution of this Term Sheet, otherwise this Term Sheet will terminate and the Deposit will be refunded to Eagle Pass.

	Term	Description
12.	Exclusivity	Commencing on the date of the execution of this Term Sheet and ending at 11:59p.m. Pacific on the date which is 40 days from such date, which date will be extended automatically for a further 20 days in the event Eagle Pass and NB Government confirm to the Receiver and Monitor that they have negotiated the intended terms of the LELAs and of the process and timing of hand over of the care and maintenance responsibilities from the NB Government to Eagle Pass (which terms have been communicated on a confidential basis to the Receiver and Monitor) and in turn such exclusivity will be extended automatically for a further 30 days in the event Eagle Pass confirms satisfaction or waives the condition precedent in section 11(b) of this Term Sheet, and which dates may otherwise be extended by the Receiver and Monitor if reasonable progress is made towards satisfying the Conditions Precedent, as determined by the Receiver and Monitor, in their sole discretion acting reasonably, the Receiver and the Monitor will deal exclusively with Eagle Pass with respect to the Transaction contemplated herein, and will not enter into any other transaction or series of transactions with another party that would have a similar effect to the foregoing.
13.	Expenses	The parties hereto will each be responsible for all of their respective costs and expenses (including legal fees) associated with (a) completing due diligence and (b) the negotiation, drafting, settlement and execution of the Definitive Agreements.
14.	Governing Law	This Term Sheet is governed by the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein. The Parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Province of British Columbia over any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Term Sheet.

This Term Sheet will be open for acceptance by Eagle Pass until 4:00 p.m. Vancouver time on the 7th day of November, 2023, and upon acceptance of this Term Sheet by Eagle Pass, this Term Sheet will become a binding agreement, subject only to approval by the Court on the Court Approval Date. If this Term Sheet is not accepted by Eagle Pass by executing this Term Sheet and returning the same to the Receiver and the Monitor, by such time and date set forth above, this Term Sheet will be null and void.

has signed this Term Sheet this day of November, 2023.

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC. in its capacity as Court Appointed Receiver of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd., and not in its personal capacity, by its authorized

signatory(ies)

Name: GLALL MUNGO Title: MANACING DIKECTOR

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EAG	LE PASS	MINING CORP. hereby accepts this Te	erm Sheet this 6th day of	November_, 2023.
Per:				
	Name: Title:		•	
Per:		Kevin Vienneau		
	Name: Title:	Kevin Vienneau Director		

Schedule A

Copy of the September 19, 2023 Offer



Eagle Pass Mining Corp 325 Munro, Suite 503 Bathurst, NB E2A 3Y4

September 19, 2023

FTI Consulting
Corporate Finance
Pacific Centre
701 West Georgia St
Suite 1450
Vancouver, BC, V7Y 1B6

Private and Confidential

Attention:

- Craig Munro of FTI Consulting Canada Inc in its capacity as Receiver of Trevali
 New Brunswick Ltd and in its capacity as Monitor of Trevali Mining Corp.
- Jennifer Welles in her capacity as Acting Assistant Deputy Minister of the New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development

Re: Comprehensive Offer for the assets of Trevali New Brunswick Ltd and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd

I am writing to you on behalf of **Eagle Pass Mining Corp (EPMC)**, a New Brunswick registered company headquartered in Bathurst, NB.

In light of our previous discussions with FTI Consulting and the Province of New Brunswick concerning the assets of Trevali Mining Corps in the Province of New Brunswick, and after thorough evaluation, we are pleased to submit an all encompassing offer for the assets of Trevali New Brunswick Ltd and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. Our intent is to operate these assets as a going concern in collaboration with the Province of New Brunswick, with no intention to salvage any of the assets.

The offer for Trevali New Brunswick LTD assets is in the amount of \$6,500,000 Canadian Dollars and an additional \$1,000,000 Canadian Dollars for Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd assets. This offer is subject to the following terms and conditions.

Project/Properties: All assets in Trevali New Brunswick Ltd including mining leases 246 and 255 as well as mining claims 1773 and 7403. Assets include all equipment and infrastructure (surface and underground) including rolling stock at the property referred to as the Caribou Mine Site(ML-246) and the Restigouche Mine Site(ML-255).

All assets in Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd including mining lease 261 (Halfmile Lake) as well as mining claims 1522, 1681, 3885, 4335, 4525, 6049 and 8160. Assets include all equipment and infrastructure (surface and underground) including any rolling stock located on the mentioned properties.

Purchase Price: Purchase price of each deliverable will be paid at closing. \$6.5 million CAD at the closing of Trevali New Brunswick Ltd. transaction and \$1 million CAD at the closing of Trevali Mining (Maritime) transaction.

Closing Date: The closing of the two or one all encompassing transactions will occur no later than 90 days from the acceptance of this offer, subject to extension for any mutually agreed-upon reasons.

Conditions: Standard conditions include Due Diligence, Structuring considerations, Shareholder Approval as may be required, regulatory approval, as may be required, formal documentation, etc.

In conjunction with this offer, **EPMC**. will continue to work with the Province of New Brunswick to facilitate the transfer of all mining claims, mining leases and private land to **Eagle Pass Mining Corp or its NEWCO**. In order to facilitate an orderly transfer of assets, **EPMC** will negotiate certain terms and conditions with the province related to care and maintenance of the assets including long term environmental liabilities that may come with such a purchase. Eagle pass will also work with local First Nations, Opportunities New Brunswick and other government agencies to facilitate the purchase agreement.

Upon successful completion of the above negotiations and title transfers to Eagle Pass Mining Corp, Eagle Pass Mining Corp will close on the acquisition.

Title and Liens: The property's title must be free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, off take agreements, mineral royalties and legal disputes, except as otherwise agreed upon.

Environmental and Regulatory Compliance: The property must comply with all applicable environmental and regulatory requirements.

Default and Remedies: The rights and remedies of the parties in case of default shall be governed by applicable laws and regulations.

Expenses: Each party will be responsible for its own legal and transaction-related expenses.

Governing Law: This offer letter is subject to the laws of New Brunswick and British Columbia, and any disputes shall be resolved in the courts of British Columbia.

Confidentiality: Both parties agree to keep the details of this offer confidential until a formal agreement is reached or negotiations are terminated.

Exclusivity: Upon acceptance of this offer. FTI Consulting and the Province of New Brunswick will work exclusively with **EPMC or its NEWCO** to facilitate the closing of the transaction and will not shop the assets to other interested parties in whole or parts thereof.

This offer is valid until September 26th, 2023 . Please indicate your acceptance of this offer by signing and returning a copy of this letter to us. Upon acceptance, we will proceed with the necessary due diligence and prepare a formal purchase agreement in conjunction with FTI Consulting and the Province of New Brunswick or any other entities that may be involved in the closing of this transaction.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us by email or phone.

- -Kevin Vienneau (vienneau.kevin@gmail.com, 506-543-0016)
- -Patrick Cruickshank(<u>patrick@eaglepassmining.ca.</u> 737-297-0519)

We look forward to the possibility of acquiring these assets and working together with all the parties involved to ensure a smooth transaction.

Sincerely,
Kevin Vienneau
Eagle Pass Mining Corp
Acceptance of Offer
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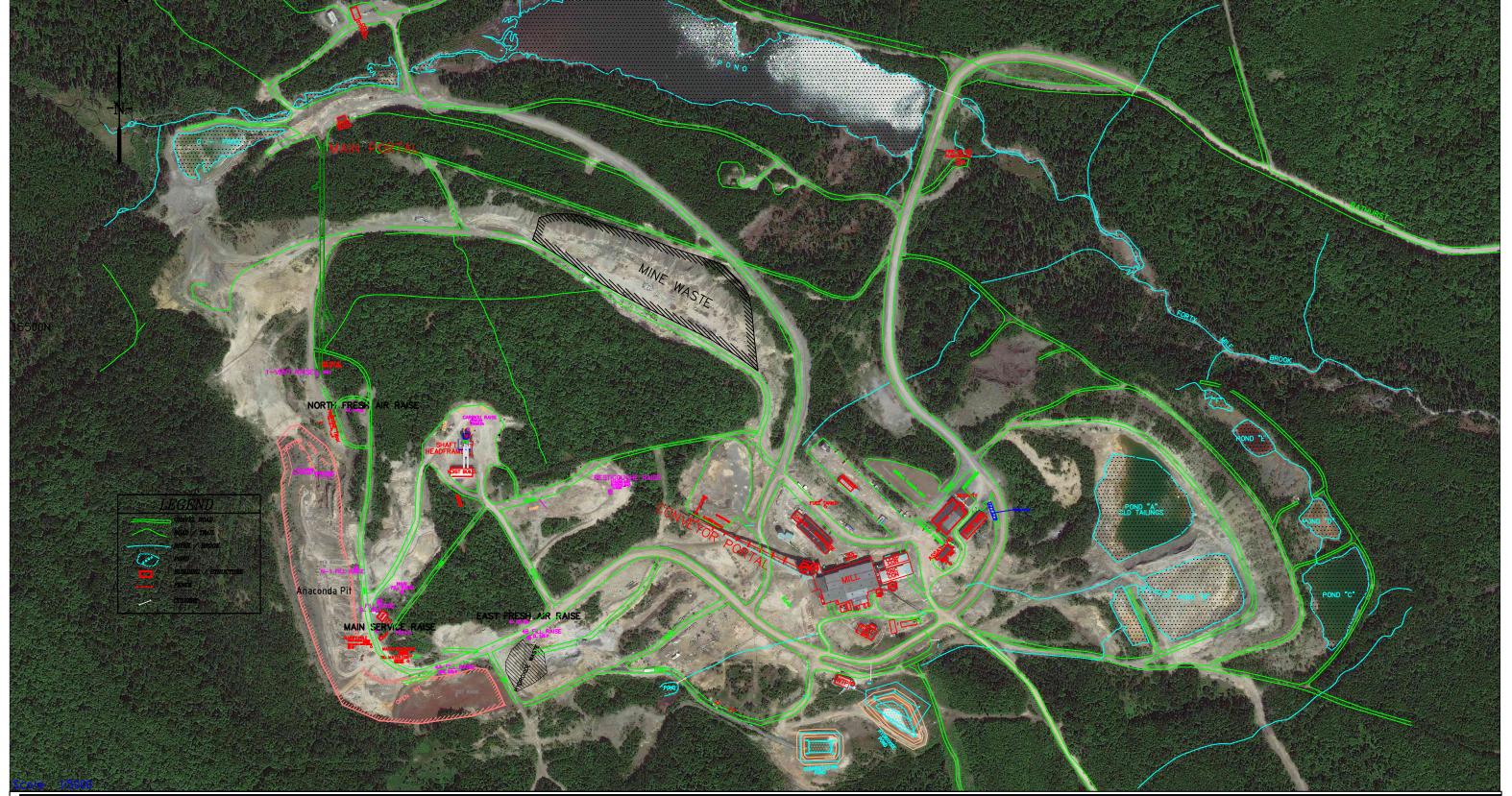
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Schedule B

List of Trevali NB Assets

Caribou Mine Restigouche County, New Brunswick, Canad	da - Categories of the Property and Constituent Assets
# Category	Description
1 Grinding Circuit	Sag, Ball, Re-Grind, and All Associated Pumps, Conveyors, and Support Equipment
2 Lead Flotation	Float Cells, Concentrate Filters, Pumps, Tanks, Samplers and Feeders and Support Equipment
3 Fine Grind Circuit	(3) ISA Mills and Associated Equipment
4 Zinc Flotation	Float Cells, Concentrate Filters, Pumps, Tanks, Samplers and Feeders and Support Equipment
5 Thickening/ Reagents Circuit	Float Cells, Pumps, Tanks, Thickeners, Samplers, Feeders, Tanks, Agitators, Dust Collection, Pumps, and Associated/Support Equipment
6 Mill Services	Vacuum Pumps, Pumps, Air Receivers and Blowers
7 Water Treatment	Including - Agitators, Air Receivers, Compressors, Screw Conveyor, Dust Collector, Mixing Tanks, Sump Pumps, Silos, Vibrator, etc.
8 Outotec Onstream Analyzer	
9 (2) Krebs Cyclopacks	
10 Ore Handling	Including - Belt Feeder, Conveyor Belts, Hopper, Chutes, Ore Bins, Monorails, Unit Heaters, Sump Pump, Hydraulic Pump, Vibrating Screen, Weight Scale, etc.
11 Underground Electrical Equipment /Services	Including - Circuit Breakers, Pole Mounted Disconnect Switches, Switch Gears, etc.
12 Electrical/Power Distribution-Mill Services	Including - Sub Stations, Circuit Breakers, Distribution Panels, Disconnect Switches, MCCs, Switch Gears, etc.
13 Diesel Generator	Mill Emergency Power
14 Assay Lab/Laboratory Assets	Including - Spectrometers, Atomizer, Recirculating Chillers, Fume Hoods, Jaw Crusher, Ovens, Water Purification System, Misc. Scales, Test Tubes, Beakers, Gloves, Masks, etc.
15 Water Distribution/Pumphouse	Including - Diesel Generator, Heaters, Circuit Breakers, Distribution Panels, Disconnect Switches, Monorail, Pumps, Transfer Switches, etc.
16 Spare Parts Stock Inventory	Including - Clamps, Joiners, Valves, Belts, Connectors Fuses, Bearings, Shafts, Cloths, Amplifiers, (Approx. 50) Sea Containers, Liners, Pumps, Gear Boxes, Fans, Motors, etc.
17 Machine Shops	Including - Demag Overhead Crane, Drill Press, Pipe Threader, Diaphragm Pumps, Bench Grinder, Hydraulic Press, Compressor, Chains, Hand Tools, etc.
18 Boneyard	Including - Misc. Parts, Piping, etc.
19 Rolling Stock	Including - Excavator, Wheel Loaders, Pick-Up Trucks, Ug Developmental Drills, Ug Bolters, Ug Haul Truck, Ug Scoop Tram, Land Cruisers, etc. (See Below Rolling Stock Itemized List)

# Make	Model	la - Rolling Stock Itemized List Equipment ID	Serial Number/VIN	Description
	918M		·	
1 CAT		VL-03	CAT0918MLH600270	Wheel Loader
2 CAT	930H	VL-01	CAT0930HTDHC011742	Wheel Loader
3 CAT	938K	VL-02	CAT0938KCSWL04163	Wheel Loader
4 CAT	120K	330C03	CAT0120KPSZZ00209	Motor Grader
5 CAT	TH514D	[Unknown]	MWG00163	Telehandler
6 CAT	279D	[Unknown]	[Unknown]	Skidsteer
7 CAT	301	[Unknown]	181,861	Mini-Excavator
8 Bobcat	MT55	MT55	[Unknown]	Mini-Loader
9 Ford	F150	[Unknown]	1FTFX1EF3GFC42300	Pick-Up Truck
.0 Ford	F150	[Unknown]	1FTEX1EM4EFB78839	Pick-Up Truck
11 Chevrolet	[Unknown]	LV02	[Unknown]	Pick-Up Truck
12 Sandvik	DD321	DD-001	117D46424-1	UG Developmental Drill Rig
13 Sandvik	DD321	DD-002	117D44326-1	UG Developmental Drill Rig
14 Sandvik	DL421-15C	LD-003	117A50867-1	UG Production Drill Rig
15 MacLean	MEM975	BD-005	975-456	UG Bolter
16 Sandvik	DS421	CD-004	[Unknown]	UG Bolter
17 Sandvik	TH540	UT007	T740D664	UG Haul Truck
18 Sandvik	LH514	[Unknown]	L714D787	UG Scooptram
19 Getman	A-64	BT-001	7,053	UG Utility Vehicle
20 Getman	A-64	ULT002	6,418	UG Utility Vehicle
21 MineCat	MC100G	6,546	LF1M0100*****	UG Utility Vehicle
22 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC011	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
23 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC007	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
24 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC002	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
25 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC010	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
26 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC008	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
27 Amiko	AM-197	[Unknown]	20,210,705	Custom Made Charging Unit
28 McLellan	4Kx22x7	[Unknown]	MLH530997	Mill Liner
29 Weasel	[Unknown]	MW-3233	[Unknown]	Air Drill
30 Walden	[Unknown]	SD-01	[Unknown]	Scissor Lift
31 Walden	[Unknown]	SD-02	[Unknown]	Scissor Lift
32 Bombardier	B190-B269 (Tundra (E))	[Unknown]	2BPSGA6B86V000577	Snow mobile
33 Toyota/Acces		TLC005 / TLC009	JTELB71540710639	UG Personnel Carrier
	LandCruiser	TLC005 / TLC009		
34 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser		[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
35 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC003	JTELB71J704325871	UG Personnel Carrier
36 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC001	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
37 Toyota/Acces	LandCruiser	TLC004	[Unknown]	UG Personnel Carrier
38 Ford	F150	[Unknown]	1FTEX1EM4EFB78839	Pick-Up Truck



TREVALI MINING CORPORATION



CARIBOU MINE SITE IMAGE

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APPENDIX C

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC.

solely in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of certain property and assets of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd.

AND

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

DATED AS OF APRIL 27, 2024

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT dated for reference the 27 day of April, 2024

BETWEEN:

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC. ("**FTI**"), a corporation having an address at Suite 1450 – 701 West Georgia Street, PO Box 10089, Vancouver, British Columbia, V7Y 1B6, solely in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of certain property and assets of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("**TNB**"), including all proceeds thereof

(the "Vendor")

AND:

BATHURST METALLIC CORP., a New Brunswick corporation, having an address located at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, New Brunswick, E8K 3R8

(the "Purchaser")

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 19, 2022, the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") made an order, as amended and restated on August 29, 2022 (as amended and restated and as may be further amended from time to time, the "CCAA Order") appointing FTI as the monitor (FTI in such capacity, the "Monitor") of Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC") and TNB under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") (the proceedings associated with the CCAA Order are referred to herein as the "CCAA Proceedings");
- B. On January 9, 2023, the Court made an order (as amended from time to time, the "Receivership Order") appointing FTI as the receiver (FTI in such capacity, the "Receiver"), without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by TNB, pursuant to section 243(1) of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c B-3, as amended (the "BIA") (the proceedings associated with the Receivership Order are referred to herein as the "Receivership Proceedings"), which took effect January 25, 2023;
- C. On November 6, 2023, the Receiver and the Monitor entered into a term sheet (the "**Term Sheet**") with Eagle Pass Mining Corp. ("**Eagle Pass**"), specifying that Eagle Pass would purchase all of the assets, undertaking and property of TNB (other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases and real property leases owned or held by TNB) pursuant to the tender process conducted by the Receiver;
- D. Pursuant to the Term Sheet, the Monitor would facilitate the sale or transfer of TNB's real property, mineral claims, mining leases and real property leases capable of transfer by which Eagle Pass would acquire the ownership of such interests with the consent or approval of the Province of New Brunswick and the New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development;
- E. On January 30, 2024, at the request of Eagle Pass, the Receiver and Monitor agreed to amend the Term Sheet by assigning it to the Purchaser; and

F. Subject to Court approval, the Vendor has agreed to sell and assign to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser has agreed to purchase from the Vendor, all of TNB's right, title and interest to the Assets (as defined herein) and to assume and agree to pay, perform and discharge when due the Assumed Liabilities (as defined herein), subject to and upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the respective covenants, agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities herein contained, and of the mutual benefits to be derived hereby (the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged), the Parties covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:

"Accounts Receivable" means all of TNB's debts receivable, accounts receivable, claims, demands, monies and choses in action which now are, or which at any time hereafter may be, due or owing to or owned by TNB, and all books, records, documents, papers, and electronically recorded data recording, evidencing or relating to the said debts, accounts, claims, demand, monies and choses in action or any part thereof.

"**Action**" means any litigation, action, suit, binding arbitration or other legal, administrative or judicial proceeding.

"Affiliate" means, as to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, or is under common Control with, or is Controlled by, such Person.

"Agreement" means this Asset Purchase Agreement, including the Exhibits and the Disclosure Schedules attached hereto and thereto and all amendments hereto and thereto made in accordance with Section 13.5.

"Ancillary Agreements" means, in each case in a form reasonably acceptable to the Vendor and the Purchaser: (i) a Bill of Sale for the assignment and conveyance of the Assets from the Vendor to the Purchaser; (ii) an Assignment and Assumption Agreement for the assignment and assumption of the Contracts and the Assumed Liabilities from the Vendor to the Purchaser; (iii) the Caribou LELA; (iv) the Restigouche LELA; (v) the Funding Agreement; and (vi) instruments of assignment of the Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, and any other assignments or instruments with respect to the Assets for which an assignment or instrument is required to assign, transfer, convey and deliver such Assets to the Purchaser or to record such assignment, transfer or conveyance with the appropriate government offices, domain name registrars or other similar authorities.

"Approval and Vesting Order" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.

"Asset Allocation Schedule" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.

"Assets" means, together, the Receivership Process Assets and the Real Property Assets.

"Assumed Liabilities" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.

"Bankruptcy and Insolvency Laws" means the BIA, the CCAA, the *Law and Equity Act,* R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 253, and *Judicature Act,* R.S.N.B. 1973, c. J-2 and the other applicable insolvency Laws of any jurisdiction where Insolvency Proceedings are instituted.

"BIA" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Bonds" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.4.

"Business" means TNB's business of operating and maintaining the Mines, in addition to other zinc and mineral mines, the exploration for zinc and other minerals, the development and exploitation of mining properties, water and environmental remediation activities and all activities incidental thereto.

"Business Day" means a day on which the banks are open for business (Saturdays, Sundays, statutory and civic holidays excluded) in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

"Business Information" means those books, records, files, documentation and sales literature in the possession or under control of the Vendor as of the Closing Date that, in the sole opinion of the Vendor, are specifically used or held for use in connection with the other categories of Assets to be acquired by the Purchaser herein, including information, policies and procedures, Equipment and Machinery manuals, materials and procurement documentation used in the Business, but excluding (i) any such materials relating to Accounts Receivable; and (ii) any records of former employees of TNB.

"Caribou LELA" means the limited environmental liability agreement to be entered into by the Purchaser and GNB concerning the obligations of the parties thereto for environmental remediation and reclamation of the Caribou Mine, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

"Caribou Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located approximately 50 kilometers west of Bathurst in Restigouche County in the Province of New Brunswick, lying within NTS map sheet 210/09 commonly known as the Caribou Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Caribou Zinc mine site, or otherwise owned by TNB in connection with the mine.

"Cash Payment" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.1.

"Certificate" means the certificate, substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" to the Approval and Vesting Order, to be delivered by the Receiver to the Vendor and the Purchaser on Closing and thereafter filed by the Receiver in its role as Receiver with the Court.

"CCAA" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Order" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Proceedings" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Closing" means completion of the transactions in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

"Closing Date" has the meaning set out in Section 10.1.

"Contracts" means those TNB contracts, agreements, obligations, licenses, undertakings, instruments, Leases, commitments or other arrangements, whether written or oral, associated with the Business and listed in Section A.3 of Schedule A.

"Control", including, with its correlative meanings, "Controlled by" and "under common Control with", means, in connection with a given Person, the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to either (i) elect more than 50% of the directors of such Person; or (ii) direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of securities, Contract or otherwise.

"Copyrights" means all Canadian and foreign copyrights and copyrightable subject matter, whether registered or unregistered, including all Canadian copyright registrations and applications for registration and foreign equivalents, all moral rights and rights of attribution and integrity, all common law copyright rights, and all rights to register and obtain renewals and extensions of copyright registrations, together with all other copyright interests accruing by reason of any international copyright convention or treaty.

"Court" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CRA" means the Canada Revenue Agency.

"DELG" means New Brunswick's Department of Environment and Local Government.

"Dentons" means Dentons Canada LLP, as counsel to the Receiver, the Monitor and the Vendor.

"Deposit" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.2.

"Disclosure Schedules" means the disclosure schedules which form part of this Agreement pursuant to Section 2.7.

"DNRED" means New Brunswick's Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development.

"Encumbrance" means any lien, mortgage, pledge or security interest, hypothec (including legal hypothecs), encumbrance, servitude, easement, encroachment, right-of-way, restrictive covenant on real or immovable property, real property licence, other real rights in favor of Third Parties, charge, prior claim, lease, occupancy agreement, leasing agreement, statutory or deemed trust or conditional sale arrangement, on the Assets, including any charges on the Assets created by or pursuant to any Order of the Court in the Receivership Proceedings and/or the CCAA Proceedings.

"Environmental Law" means any applicable Law relating to contamination, pollution or protection of the environment (including ambient air, surface water, ground water, subsurface or subsurface strata), plant life, animal and fish or other natural resources or human health, including without limitation, Laws relating to the exposure to, or Releases or threatened Releases of, Hazardous Materials or otherwise relating to the manufacture, presence, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, Release, transport, disposal, transfer, discharge, control, recycling, production, generation or handling of Hazardous Materials and all Laws with regard to monitoring, recordkeeping, notification, disclosure and reporting requirements respecting Hazardous Materials, each as amended and as now in effect.

"Environmental Liabilities" will mean any and all liability arising out of, based on or resulting from: (i) the presence, Release, threatened Release, discharge or emission into the environment of any Hazardous Materials or substances existing or arising on, beneath or above the TNB Property and/or emanating or migrating and/or threatening to emanate or migrate from the TNB Property to other properties; (ii) storage, disposal or treatment of or the arrangement for the storage, disposal or treatment of Hazardous Materials originating or transported from the TNB Property to an off-site treatment, storage or disposal facility; (iii) physical disturbance of the environment on or from the TNB Property; or (iv) the violation or alleged violation of any Environmental Laws relating to the TNB Property.

"Equipment and Machinery" means all of TNB's equipment, machinery and vehicles used in connection with the Business, including those items specifically listed in Section A.1 of Schedule A.

"ETA" means the Excise Tax Act (Canada), including regulations thereunder.

"Excluded Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"FTI" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Funding Agreement" means the funding agreement to be entered into between the GNB and the Purchaser, relating to the management of the Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D.

"GNB" means the Government of New Brunswick, Canada.

"Government Entity" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, state, municipal or local governmental authority, quasi-governmental authority, instrumentality, court, government or self-regulatory organization, bureau, commission, tribunal or organization or any regulatory, administrative or other agency, or any political or other subdivision, department or branch of any of the foregoing having jurisdiction with respect to TNB, the Assets, the Business or any other matter that is the subject of this Agreement, including without limitation, the DNRED, the DELG, and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency.

"GST/HST" means the goods and services tax/harmonized sales tax imposed under Part IX of the ETA.

"Halfmile Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, Canada, commonly known as the Halfmile Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Halfmile Mine site, or otherwise owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. in connection with such mine.

"Hazardous Materials" means (i) petroleum, petroleum products, asbestos in any form, mold, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, lead based paints, polychlorinated biphenyls or any other material or substance regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law; and (ii) any chemical, material or other substance, contaminant or pollutant which is regulated, defined or listed, alone or in any combination as "hazardous", "hazardous waste", "solid waste", "radioactive", "deleterious", "effluent", "toxic", "caustic", "dangerous", a contaminant, a pollutant, a "waste", a "special waste", a "source of contamination" or "source of pollution", under any Environmental Law.

"Insolvency Proceedings" means the CCAA Proceedings and/or the Receivership Proceedings, and any other proceedings thereunder, as well as any other voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy, insolvency, administration or similar judicial proceedings concerning TNB or TMC that are instituted from time to time.

"Intellectual Property" means all Canadian and foreign intellectual and industrial property rights of any kind, including all: (i) Trademarks; (ii) Patents; (iii) inventions, novel devices, processes, compositions of matter, methods, techniques, improvements, observations, discoveries, apparatuses, machines, designs, expressions, theories and ideas, whether or not patentable and whether or not a patent has been issued or a patent application has been made therefor; (iv) Copyrights; (v) mask works; (vi) Trade Secrets, Know-How, and other proprietary, confidential, technical or Business Information; (vii) Software and technology; (viii) rights of privacy and rights to personal information; (ix) all telephone, telex, and facsimile numbers and Internet protocol addresses; (x) the corporate name of TNB; and (xi) all rights in the foregoing and in other similar intangible assets, and all rights and remedies (including the right to sue for and recover damages, profits and any other remedy) for past, present, or future infringement, misappropriation, or other violation relating to any of the foregoing.

"Inventory" means TNB's inventories of raw materials, ore and refined ore at any stage of the refining process and all other inventory of the Business, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all building materials, furnishings, appliances and other goods, relating to or acquired, used or held in connection with the ownership, development, construction or operation of the Business, in each case held by TNB, including any of the above items which is owned by TNB but which remain in transit to or in the possession or control of a Third Party.

"Know-How" means scientific, engineering, mechanical, electrical, financial, marketing, practical and other similar knowledge or experience useful in the operation of the Business.

"Law" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, local, regional or municipal statute, law, common law, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, writ, injunction, directive, judgment, decree or policy or guideline having the force of law.

"Leased Real Property" means all Leases (or other property interests) for real and immovable property in connection with the Mines under which TNB is a lessee, licensee or occupant.

"Leases" means all unexpired leases, licences or other occupancy agreements.

"Liabilities" means debts, liabilities and obligations, whether accrued or fixed, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured or determined or undeterminable, including those arising under any Law or Action and those arising under any Contract or otherwise, including any Tax liability, Environmental Liabilities, or any other liabilities or obligations under Environmental Laws that are required to be assumed or accepted in order to effectuate or achieve the Transfer Approvals in respect of the Permits and Licences.

"Material Adverse Effect" means any fact, condition, change, violation, inaccuracy, circumstance or event, individually or in the aggregate that: (i) has, or is reasonably likely to have, a material adverse effect on the operations, results of operations or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Business; (ii) materially and adversely impairs the Assets or the Business (excluding the Excluded Assets), taken as a whole; or (iii) materially and adversely delays or impedes the consummation of

the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (except for those matters that are addressed and accomplished by invoking and meeting the terms of Article 12 hereto), but in each case, excluding any such fact, condition, change, violation, inaccuracy, circumstance or event results from or arises out of (a) changes in general economic conditions or changes affecting the industries and markets in which the Business operates (except to the extent that such changes have a disproportionate effect on the Assets or the Business); (b) macroeconomic factors, interest rates, currency exchange rates, general financial market conditions, acts of God, war, terrorism or hostilities; (c) the transactions contemplated hereby or any announcement hereof or the identity of the Purchaser; or (d) the pendency of the Insolvency Proceedings.

"Mines" means, together, the Caribou Mine and the Restigouche Mine.

"Mineral Titles" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.2(b).

"Monitor" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Non-Assignable Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.

"**Order**" means any order, injunction, judgment, decree, ruling, writ, assessment or arbitration award of the Court or other court or of a Government Entity.

"Ordinary Course" means the ordinary course of the Business consistent with recent past practice, as such practice is, or may have been, modified as a result of the Insolvency Proceedings.

"Outside Date" means the date by which the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are to be completed, being July 8, 2024 or such other date as the Parties may mutually agree upon in writing.

"Party" or "Parties" means individually or together, as the case may be, the Vendor and the Purchaser and includes, if applicable, any permitted assignee of either.

"Patents" means all Canadian and foreign (whether national or multinational) statutory invention registrations, patents (including certificates of invention and other patent equivalents), patent applications, provisional patent applications and patents issuing therefrom, industrial designs, and industrial models, as well as all reissues, divisions, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part, patent disclosures, extensions and re-examinations, and all rights therein provided by multinational treaties or conventions.

"Periodic Taxes" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Permits and Licences" means those permits, approvals, licences, certificates or other authorization required under any applicable Law (including Environmental Laws) to conduct the Business that are listed in Section B.4 of Schedule B including for greater certainty, the Mineral Titles.

"**Person**" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, an association, a limited or unlimited liability company, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization or other legal entity or Government Entity.

"Post Closing" means the period after the Closing.

"Post-Closing Tax Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Pre-Closing Tax Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Purchase Price" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.1.

"Purchased Deposits" means those deposits (including customer deposits and security deposits for rent, electricity and otherwise) and prepaid charges and expenses provided by TNB, including the right to receive any refund of any unutilized amounts thereof which are paid, but only in connection with the other Assets acquired by the Purchaser herein, but excluding any Bonds.

"Purchaser" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Real Property" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.2(c).

"Real Property Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.2.

"Receiver" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Order" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Proceedings" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Process Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.1.

"Release" means any release, spill, emission, discharge, leaking, pouring, emptying, escaping, dumping, injection, deposit, disposal, dispersal, leaching or migration into the indoor or outdoor environment (including, without limitation, ambient air, surface water, groundwater and surface or subsurface strata) or into or out of any property.

"Restigouche LELA" means a limited environmental liability agreement to be entered into by the Purchaser and GNB regarding the obligations of the Parties concerning environmental remediation and reclamation of the Restigouche Mine, in the form attached as Exhibit C.

"Restigouche Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located approximately 20 kilometres west-southwest of the Caribou Mine in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, lying within NTS map sheet 21O/10 commonly known as the Restigouche Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Restigouche Zinc mine site, or otherwise owned by TNB in connection with the mine.

"Software" means all computer software programs (whether in source code, object code, or other form) and software systems, including all websites, algorithms, databases, compilations and data, tool sets, compilers, higher level or "proprietary" languages, related documentation and technology, technical manuals and materials, and any rights relating to the foregoing.

"Straddle Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Subsidiary" of a Person means any Person controlled by such first Person.

"Target Closing Date" means the date that is on or before June 7, 2024 or such other date as may be agreed by the Parties in writing, provided that such date may not be later than the Outside Date.

"Tax" means any domestic or foreign federal, state, local, provincial, territorial or municipal taxes or other impositions by any Government Entity, including Transfer Taxes and the following taxes and impositions: net income, gross income, capital, value added, goods and services, capital gains, alternative, net worth, harmonized sales, gross receipts, sales, use, ad valorem, business rates, transfer, franchise, profits, business, environmental, real or immovable property, municipal, school, Canada Pension Plan, withholding, workers' compensation levies, payroll, employment, unemployment, employer health, occupation, social security, excise, stamp, customs, and all other taxes, fees, duties, assessments, deductions, contributions, withholdings or charges of the same or of a similar nature, however denominated, together with any interest and penalties, additions to tax or additional amounts imposed or assessed with respect thereto.

"Tax Act" means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time.

"Tax Authority" means any local, municipal, governmental, state, provincial, territorial, federal, including any Canadian or other fiscal, customs or excise authority, body or officials anywhere in the world with responsibility for, and competent to impose, collect or administer, any form of Tax.

"Tax Returns" means all returns, reports (including elections, declarations, disclosures, statements, schedules, estimates and information returns) and other information filed or required to be filed with any Tax Authority relating to Taxes.

"Third Party" means any Person that is neither a Party nor an Affiliate of a Party.

"TMC" has the meaning set forth in Recital A.

"TNB" has the meaning set forth in Recital A.

"TNB Property" means, collectively, any real property associated with the Mines, Permits and Licences and the Leased Real Property.

"Trade Secrets" means trade secrets and other confidential or proprietary ideas, concepts, methods, processes, formulae, models, methodologies, algorithms, reports, data, customer lists, mailing lists, business plans, market surveys, market research studies, information contained on drawings and other documents and information (including with respect to research, development and testing).

"Trademarks" means, together with the goodwill associated therewith, all Canadian, provincial and foreign trademarks, service marks, trade dress, logos, slogans, distinguishing guises and indicia, trade names (including all assumed or fictitious names under which the Business has been conducted), corporate names, business names, domain names, and any other indicia of source or sponsorship of goods or services, whether or not registered, including all common law rights, and registrations, applications for registration and renewals thereof, including all marks registered in the Canadian Intellectual Property Office or any trademark offices of other states or nations throughout the world and all rights therein, including those provided by multinational treaties or conventions.

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and all other ancillary documents to be entered into, or documentation delivered by, any Party pursuant to this Agreement.

"Transfer Approvals" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.3.5.

"Transfer Taxes" means all goods and services, sales, excise, use, transfer, gross receipts, documentary, filing, recordation, value-added, stamp, stamp duty reserve, GST/HST, and all other similar taxes, duties or other like charges, however denominated (specifically including property transfer taxes and harmonized sales taxes), in each case including interest, penalties or additions attributable thereto whether or not disputed, arising out of or in connection with the transaction, regardless of whether the Government Entity seeks to collect the Transfer Tax from the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, or the Purchaser.

"Transferred Intellectual Property" means the following Intellectual Property owned, used, or held for use by or on behalf of TNB in the Business (or in any product, service, technology or process currently or formerly manufactured, produced, marketed, distributed or offered for sale by or on behalf of TNB or any Subsidiary or currently under development by or on behalf of TNB or any Subsidiary): (i) the Patents (ii) the Trademarks; and (iii) any other Intellectual Property set forth in Section A.3 of Schedule A.

"**Vendor**" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 INTERPRETATION

2.1 Gender and Number

Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders and words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa.

2.2 Certain Phrases

In this Agreement (i) the words "including" and "includes" mean "including (or includes) without limitation" and will not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it; (ii) the terms "hereof", "herein", "hereunder" and "herewith" and words of similar import will, unless otherwise stated, be construed to refer to this Agreement and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and Article, Section, paragraph, Exhibit and Schedule references are to the Articles, Sections, paragraphs, Exhibits and Schedules to this Agreement unless otherwise specified; and (iii) in the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, unless otherwise expressly stated, the word "from" means "from and including" and the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding". If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.3 Calculation of Time

When calculating the period of time "within" which, "prior to" or "following" which any act or event is required or permitted to be done, notice given or steps taken, the date which is the reference date in

calculating such period is excluded from the calculation. If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.4 Headings

The inclusion of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles and Sections and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and are not to affect or be used in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section" are to the corresponding Section of this Agreement unless otherwise specified.

2.5 Currency

All monetary amounts in this Agreement, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are stated in Canadian currency. All calculations and estimates to be performed or undertaken, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are to be expressed in Canadian currency. All payments required under this Agreement will be paid in Canadian currency in immediately available funds, unless otherwise specifically indicated herein. Where another currency is to be converted into Canadian currency it will be converted on the basis of the average exchange rate published by the Bank of Canada for the day in question.

2.6 Statutory References

Unless otherwise specifically indicated, any reference to a statute in this Agreement refers to that statute and to the regulations made under that statute as in force from time to time.

2.7 Exhibits and Disclosure Schedules

The Exhibits and the Disclosure Schedules annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set in full herein. Any capitalized terms used in any Exhibit or Disclosure Schedule but not otherwise defined therein will be defined as set forth in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 PURCHASE AND SALE OF ASSETS

3.1 Purchase and Sale

3.1.1 Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement (including for greater certainty, the categories of Excluded Assets listed in Section 3.2 and the conditions of Closing set out in Article 9) and the granting of the Approval and Vesting Order, at the Closing, the Purchaser agrees to purchase or be assigned and assume from the Vendor, and the Vendor will sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to the Purchaser all of TNB's and the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to the following assets of TNB wherever located, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use in or relating to the Business (for greater certainty, other than the Real Property, Mineral Titles, Leased Real Property, and the Permits and Licences owned or held by TNB):

- (a) the Equipment and Machinery;
- (b) the Inventory;
- (c) the Contracts;

- (d) the Business Information;
- (e) the Transferred Intellectual Property;
- (f) all rights, claims or causes of action of TNB against Third Parties arising out of events occurring prior to the Closing, and including any rights under or pursuant to any and all warranties, representations and guarantees made by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors relating to products sold, or services provided, to TNB, but only to the extent such rights, claims or causes of action are connected to the Assets to be acquired by the Purchaser herein;
- (g) any proprietary rights in Internet protocol addresses, ideas, concepts, methods, processes, formulae, models, methodologies, algorithms, reports, data, customer lists, mailing lists, business plans, market surveys, market research studies, websites, information contained on drawings and other documents, information relating to research, development or testing, and documentation and media constituting, describing or relating to the Transferred Intellectual Property, including memoranda, manuals, technical specifications and other records wherever created throughout the world;
- (h) all pre-paid expenses of the Business, including any deposits, but not including any rights to any Bonds, or amounts in respect of Taxes described in Section 8.6;
- (i) all telephone, telex and telephone facsimile numbers and other directory listings and e-mail and website addresses used in connection with the Business:
- (j) the Purchased Deposits;
- (k) goodwill associated with the Business and the Assets, other than (i) the right to carry on the Business under the name "Trevali New Brunswick"; and (ii) all domain names of TNB;
- (I) all customer lists, files, data and information relating to past and present customers and prospective customers of the Business;
- (m) copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business; and
- (n) all financial and corporate books and records of TNB
 - (collectively, the "Receivership Process Assets"). For avoidance of doubt, the Receivership Process Assets does not include the Real Property, the Leased Real Property, and the Permits and Licences.
- 3.1.2 Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement (including the receipt of the Transfer Approvals in addition to the other conditions of Closing set out in Article 9) and the granting of the Approval and Vesting Order, among other things, expanding the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order, at the Closing, the Purchaser agrees to purchase or be assigned and assume from the Vendor, and the Vendor will sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to the Purchaser all of TNB's and the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to the following assets of TNB wherever located, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use in or relating to the Business,

- (a) the Leased Real Property, together with the buildings, structures, improvements and appurtenances thereon, including those listed in Section B.1 of Schedule B (but specifically excluding any buildings, structures, improvements and appurtenances which are not owned by TNB):
- (b) the mineral titles, mining leases, mineral claims (whether patented or unpatented), placer claims or other claims to exploration or mineral rights enumerated in Section B.2 of Schedule B (collectively, the "Mineral Titles");
- (c) the Real Property, including the freehold parcel of real estate identified in Section B.3 of Schedule B; and
- (d) the Permits and Licences, to the extent that such Permits and Licences are assignable or transferable through either providing the required notification to or obtaining the Transfer Approval from a Government Entity or Third Party,

(collectively, the "Real Property Assets" and together with the Receivership Process Assets, the "Assets").

3.2 Excluded Assets

Notwithstanding anything in Section 3.1, in this Section 3.2, elsewhere in this Agreement, or in any of the Transaction Documents to the contrary, except for the Assets, the Purchaser will not acquire and will have no rights with respect to any other assets of TNB or the Vendor, including, but not limited to, TNB's or the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to, the Excluded Assets Listed in Schedule 3.2

3.3 Assumed Liabilities

On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, at the Closing, the Purchaser will assume and become responsible for, and perform, discharge and pay when due, the following Liabilities (the "Assumed Liabilities"), from and after the Closing Date:

- (a) all Liabilities of TNB or the Vendor under the Contracts;
- (b) all Environmental Liabilities associated with the Assets, provided however that the Parties acknowledge that such assumption does not relieve TNB of the Environmental Liabilities that accrued pursuant to Environmental Law prior to Closing;
- (c) all Liabilities for, or related to any obligation for, any Tax that the Purchaser bears under Article 8 (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Transfer Taxes imposed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereunder or any other Transaction Document and the transactions contemplated thereunder);
- (d) except as may be otherwise allocated to the GNB pursuant to the terms of the Caribou LELA and/or the Restigouche LELA, all Liabilities in respect of those Assets listed in Schedule B, including filing and other fees related thereto, provided however that the Parties acknowledge that such assumption does not relieve TNB of the Environmental Liabilities that accrued pursuant to Environmental Law prior to Closing; and
- (e) all Liabilities associated with, or in regard to any Transfer Approvals.

3.4 Non-Assignable Contracts

To the extent that any Contract is not capable of being assigned pursuant to other applicable Laws or the terms of such Contract to the Purchaser on the Closing Date without the consent of the issuer thereof or the counter-party thereto or any Third Party (including a Government Entity), and such consent has not been obtained (collectively, the "Non-Assignable Contracts"), this Agreement will not constitute an assignment thereof, or an attempted assignment, unless any such consent is obtained. Any payment to be made in order to obtain any consent required by the terms of any Non-Assignable Contract will be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser. If such consent is required but not obtained, the Vendor will, at the Purchaser's sole cost and expense, cooperate with the Purchaser in any reasonable arrangement, including the Purchaser's provision of credit support, designed to provide for the Purchaser the benefits and obligations of or under any such Contract, including enforcement for the benefit of the Purchaser of any and all rights of the Vendor against a third party thereto arising out of the breach or cancellation thereof by such third party; provided, that nothing in this Section 3.4 will (i) require the Vendor to make any significant expenditure or incur any significant obligation on its own or on the Purchaser's behalf; or (ii) prohibit the Vendor from ceasing operations or winding up its affairs following the Closing. Any assignment to the Purchaser of any Contract that will require the consent of any Third Party for such assignment as aforesaid will be made subject to such consent being obtained or further order of the Court approving such assignment. Any contract that would be an Contract but is not assigned in accordance with the terms of this Section 3.4 will not be considered an "Contract" for purposes hereof unless and until such contract is assigned to the Purchaser following the Closing Date or such order has been granted by the Court approving such assignment.

ARTICLE 4 PURCHASE PRICE AND ALLOCATION

4.1 Purchase Price and Deposit

- 4.1.1 Pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, in consideration of the sale of the Assets pursuant to the terms hereof, the Purchaser will (i) pay to the Vendor an amount equal to \$6,500,000.00 which the Purchaser will pay and deliver at the Closing in accordance with Section 10.2 (the "Cash Payment"); and (ii) assume from TNB and the Vendor and become obligated to pay, perform and discharge, when due, the Assumed Liabilities (the amounts referred to in (i) and (ii), are collectively, the "Purchase Price").
- 4.1.2 The Parties acknowledge that the Purchaser has remitted **\$225,000.00** to Dentons which will be held as a deposit (the "**Deposit**") to be applied on account of the Purchase Price at the Closing.
- 4.1.3 The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that the Deposit paid by the Purchaser will only be refundable if:
 - (a) the Closing does not complete as a result of a breach of this Agreement by the Vendor and the Purchaser is not in default hereunder; or
 - (b) the Approval and Vesting Order has not been obtained by the Outside Date or the Court declines at any time to grant the Approval and Vesting Order without leave to re-apply, in each case for reasons other than a breach of this Agreement by the Purchaser,

otherwise, if the Closing does not complete by the Target Closing Date, or such later date as the Parties may agree in writing, the Deposit will be irrevocably forfeited to the Vendor and will be non-refundable. For greater certainty, such forfeiture of the Deposit to the Vendor will be in addition to and not in substitution of any remedy the Vendor may have against the Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise.

4.1.4 To the extent section 182 of the ETA applies to deem the Deposit, or a portion thereof, to be inclusive of GST/HST, the Purchaser shall pay the Vendor an additional amount sufficient to ensure that the Vendor receives the same net aggregate amount had the deeming provision not applied.

4.2 Purchase Price Allocation

Schedule 4.2 (the "Asset Allocation Schedule") allocates the Purchase Price (including specific allocation of the Assumed Liabilities that are liabilities for federal income Tax purposes) on a dollar basis among the Assets. The Asset Allocation Schedule will be commercially reasonable based on fair market value of the Assets and the Purchaser, and the Vendor will each file all applicable Tax Returns, if any, in accordance with the Asset Allocation Schedule. To the extent applicable, the Purchaser, on the one hand, and the Vendor, on the other hand, each agrees to provide the other promptly with any other information reasonably required to complete any Tax Returns.

ARTICLE 5

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PURCHASER

The Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to the Vendor, as follows:

5.1 Organization

The Purchaser is duly organized and validly existing under the Laws of the jurisdiction in which it is organized. The Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations pursuant to each of the Transaction Documents to which it is or will become a party.

5.2 Corporate Power

The Purchaser is qualified to do business as contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and to own or lease and operate its properties and assets, including the Assets, except to the extent that the failure to be so qualified would not materially hinder, delay or impair the Purchaser's ability to carry out its obligations under, and to consummate the transactions contemplated by, this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is or will become a party.

5.3 Authorization

The execution, delivery and performance of each Transaction Document to which the Purchaser is a party will have been duly authorized by the Purchaser at the time of its execution and delivery. Assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Vendor, each Transaction Document to which the Purchaser is a party constitutes, or upon execution thereof will constitute, a valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser, enforceable against the Purchaser in accordance with its respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of public policy.

5.4 No Breach

The execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of each of the Transaction Documents to which the Purchaser is, or on the Closing Date will be, a party do not and will not conflict with or result in a breach of the terms, conditions or provisions of, constitute a default under, result in a violation of, or require any consent (other than the Transfer Approvals) or other action by or declaration or notice to any Government Entity pursuant to (i) the constating documents of the Purchaser; (ii) any Contract or other document to which the Purchaser is a party or to which any of its assets is subject; or (iii) any Laws to which the Purchaser or any of its assets is subject, except, in the case of (ii) and (iii) above, for such defaults, violations, actions and notifications that would not individually or in the aggregate materially hinder, delay or impair the performance by the Purchaser of any of its obligations under any Transaction Document.

5.5 Acknowledgement of Scope of Vendor's Representations and Warranties

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person, is making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, beyond those expressly given by the Vendor in Article 6 (as may be modified by the Disclosure Schedules), or with respect to any other information provided to the Purchaser in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, including without limitation as to the probable success or profitability of the ownership, use or operation of the Business and the Assets after the Closing. The Purchaser further acknowledges that neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person has made any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TNB, TMC, the Assets, the Business, the Mines, or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement not expressly set forth in this Agreement, and neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person will have or be subject to liability to the Purchaser or any other Person resulting from the distribution to the Purchaser or its representatives or the Purchaser's use of, any such information, including data room information provided to the Purchaser, or its representatives, in connection with the sale of the Assets. The Purchaser acknowledges that it has conducted to its satisfaction its own independent investigation and due diligence of the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, and, in making the determination to proceed with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the Purchaser has relied on the results of its own independent investigation.

5.6 As-Is Where-is Transaction

The Purchaser hereby acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the Purchaser is solely responsible for carrying out its own due diligence investigations of the Assets and Assumed Liabilities; (ii) by deciding to proceed with the transactions contemplated herein the Purchaser has relied on and is satisfied with all the results of its investigations; and (iii) except as otherwise expressly provided in Article 6 of this Agreement, neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TNB, TMC or their agents or representatives, nor any other Person is making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, with respect to any matter relating to the Assets, the Business, the Mines, and TNB's ownership and operation thereof or any Encumbrances or Liabilities (including Environmental Liabilities) associated therewith, and the quantity, quality, suitability for mining or costs of mining of any mineral reserves included in the Assets. Without in any way limiting the foregoing, the Purchaser acknowledges that neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TNB, TMC or their agents or representatives, nor any Person has given, will not be deemed to have given, and hereby disclaims any warranty, express or implied, of merchantability of fitness for any

particular purpose as to any portion of the Assets, the Business or the Mines. Accordingly, the Purchaser agrees to accept the Assets at the Closing "As is" "Where is" and "With All Faults".

5.7 Brokers

Except for fees and commissions that will be paid by the Purchaser, no broker, finder or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's or similar fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates.

5.8 GST/HST Registration

The Purchaser will be duly registered as of the Closing under Subdivision D of Division V of Part IX of the ETA and will provide to the Vendor its registration number no later than 10 days prior to Closing.

5.9 Financing

The Purchaser has, and at all times from the date hereof through the Closing and any Post Closing period pursuant to Article 12 will have, sufficient funds available to pay the Purchase Price and all other amounts payable under the Transaction Documents and to otherwise consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and to pay all fees and expenses related thereto. The Purchaser acknowledges that its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents are not subject to any conditions regarding its ability to obtain financing for any portion of the foregoing amounts.

5.10 Transfer and Other Approvals

The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that time is of the essence in effecting the Closing and otherwise consummate the transactions contemplated herein, and that it will promptly and in a timely manner provide written requests, execute and deliver all required documents and materials and perform all necessary and required actions to obtain Transfer Approvals for the Assets listed in Schedule B from appropriate Government Entities. Except for the Approval and Vesting Order, and Transfer Approvals, to the best of the Purchaser's knowledge, no notice, filing, authorization, approval, order or consent is required to be given, filed or obtained by the Purchaser to or from any Government Entity or third party in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

5.11 Purchaser's Qualifications to Obtain Transfer Approvals and Hold Permits and Licences

The Purchaser is aware of no facts that would prevent the issuance of Transfer Approvals from any Government Entities for the transfer of the Permits and Licences to the Purchaser or for the obtaining of replacement Permits and Licences by the Purchaser for those Permits and Licences presently held by TNB that are not transferable.

ARTICLE 6

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE VENDOR

6.1 Representations and Warranties of Vendor

The Vendor hereby represents and warrants to the Purchaser as follows:

- (a) the Receiver has been appointed as the receiver of the Receivership Process Assets pursuant to the Receivership Order, and such order is in full force and effect as of the date hereof; and
- (b) the Vendor is not and will not be at the Closing, a non-resident of Canada for the purposes of Section 116 of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

6.2 No Other Representations and Warranties of the Vendor, Receiver or Monitor

Except for the representations and warranties of the Vendor contained in this Article 6, neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their agents and their representatives, nor any other Person has made or makes any other express or implied representation or warranty, either written or oral, on behalf of the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, or TMC whether in respect of the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, or otherwise, including any representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TNB or TMC furnished or made available to Purchaser and its representatives or as to the future revenue, profitability or success of TNB, TMC, the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, or any representation or warranty arising from statute or otherwise at Law.

ARTICLE 7

COVENANTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

7.1 Approval of the Court

- 7.1.1 The Purchaser acknowledges that this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby are subject to the approval of the Court.
 - 7.1.2 The Vendor will use its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain an Order of the Court in the Receivership Proceedings, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A containing, among other things, orders: approving this Agreement; immediately prior to the Closing, expanding the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order to include the Real Property Assets; authorizing and directing the Vendor to perform its obligations hereunder and to receive payment of the Purchase Price; authorizing the Vendor to execute such deeds, bills of sale and other instruments of sale and transfers as the Vendor may deem necessary or desirable in order to transfer to the Purchaser all of the Vendor's and TNB's interest in and to the Assets; enabling the Vendor to convey all of the Vendor's and TNB's interest in the Assets to the Purchaser (the "Approval and Vesting Order").

7.2 Co-operation

7.2.1 Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, each Party will use its commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, and cooperate with each other in order to do, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Law to

consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement as soon as practicable and to effect the Closing on the Target Closing Date, including the preparation and filing of all forms, registrations and notices required to be filed to consummate the Closing, making witnesses available in the Court or by declaration, as necessary, in obtaining the Approval and Vesting Order, and the taking of such actions as are necessary to obtain any requisite consent from a Government Entity or other Third Party; provided, however, at no time will the Vendor be obligated to make any payment or deliver anything of value to any Third Party (other than filing with and payment of any application fees to Government Entities, all of which will be paid or reimbursed by the Purchaser) in order to obtain any consent.

7.2.2 Each of the Vendor and the Purchaser will promptly notify the other of the occurrence, to such Party's knowledge, of any event or condition, or the existence, to such Party's knowledge, of any fact, that would reasonably be expected to result in (i) any of the conditions set forth in Article 9 not being satisfied; or (ii) any of the representations and warranties in Article 5 or Article 6 not being true and correct.

7.3 Transfer Approvals

- 7.3.1 To the extent required by applicable Laws, each Party agrees to prepare and file as promptly as practicable and in any event, within 7 Business Days from the execution of this Agreement: (i) all filings and applications required and desirable to obtain; and (ii) all other necessary documents, registrations, statements, petitions, filings and applications for, or to obtain, any required Transfer Approvals and any other consent of any other Government Entities required to satisfy the condition set forth in Section 9.1(d).
- Each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) cooperate with each other in connection with any filing or submission and in connection with any investigation or other inquiry, including any proceeding initiated by a private party; (ii) keep the other Party informed in all material respects of any material communication received by such Party from, or given by such Party to, any Government Entity and of any material communication received or given in connection with any proceeding by a private party, in each case regarding any of the transactions contemplated hereby; and (iii) permit the other Party to review any material communication given to it by, and consult with each other in advance of any meeting or conference with any Government Entity, including in connection with any proceeding by a private party. The foregoing obligations in this Section 7.3.2 will be subject to any solicitor-client, work product or other privilege, and each Party hereto will coordinate and cooperate fully with the other Party hereto in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as such other Party may reasonably request in connection with the foregoing. The Parties will not take any action that will have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding the receipt of any required authorizations, consents, Orders or approvals. Fees incurred in connection with complying with any Law pursuant to this Section 7.3.2, and any filing or other administrative fees or costs incurred in connection with obtaining the Transfer Approvals will be borne solely by the Purchaser.
- 7.3.3 If any objections are asserted with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby under any Law or if any suit is instituted by any Government Entity or any private party challenging any of the transactions contemplated hereby as being in violation of any Law or if the filing pursuant to this Section 7.3 is reasonably likely to be rejected or conditioned by a federal, provincial or territorial Government Entity, each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resolve such objections or challenge as such Government Entity or private party may have to such transactions, including to vacate, lift, reverse or overturn any Action, whether temporary, preliminary or permanent, so as to permit consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

- 7.3.4 The Purchaser will use its commercially reasonable efforts to satisfy (or cause the satisfaction of) the conditions precedent to the Purchaser's obligations associated with the Closing hereunder as set forth in Section 9.1 and Section 9.3 to the extent the same is within its control and to take, or cause to be taken, all other action and to do, or cause to be done, all other things necessary, proper or advisable under all applicable Laws to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including using its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the Transfer Approvals in accordance with Section 7.3.5, and any other Third Party consents required to be obtained, in order for the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 7.3.5 No later than 3 Business Days after the execution of this Agreement, the Purchaser agrees to contact applicable Government Entities and use its commercially reasonable efforts to understand the requirements associated with the timely transfer of the Assets listed in Schedule B from the Vendor to the Purchaser, including in order to obtain, as of the Closing Date, replacement Permits and Licences for those Permits and Licences presently held by TNB that are not transferable. Prior to the Closing, the Purchaser: (i) will file with DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities all applications, requests for consent, and other instruments required to transfer the Assets listed in Schedule B which are subject to approval or other processing by such Government Entities, from the Vendor to the Purchaser (including the posting and acceptance of whatever fees or financial assurance instruments that may be required in connection with such approval or other processing); (ii) will file with DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities all applications, instruments or notices for approval or other processing by such Government Entities, as may be necessary to obtain replacement Permits and Licences as of the Closing Date for those Permits and Licences presently held by TNB that are not transferable (including the posting and acceptance by the appropriate Government Entity of whatever fees or financial assurance instruments are required in connection with such approval or other processing); and (iii) obtain the consent from DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities to transfer those Assets from TNB and the Vendor to the Purchaser described in (i), and the issuance from the appropriate Government Entities of new Permits and Licences that are not transferrable to the Purchaser described in (ii); with those items referenced in sub-clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) above collectively referred to as the "Transfer Approvals".
- 7.3.6 The Purchaser will diligently pursue on a commercially reasonable efforts basis all Transfer Approvals necessary to complete the transfer of such Permits and Licences from TNB and the Vendor to the Purchaser or obtain new Permits and Licences in the Purchaser's own name as of the Closing Date (acknowledging that all such Transfer Approvals will be contingent on the consummation of the Closing unless the terms of this Agreement provide otherwise), and will keep the Vendor apprised of the status of its efforts to secure such Transfer Approvals.
- 7.3.7 All of the Transfer Approvals must be in place and effective as of the Closing Date, and the Purchaser will have no right to conduct any activities under any of the Permits and Licences or Contract that has not been assigned, transferred or re-issued to the Purchaser.

7.4 Replacement of Bonds

Prior to the Closing, in order to meet certain financial assurance requirements in obtaining the Transfer Approvals (including new Permits and Licences in the name of the Purchaser), the Purchaser will provide to the appropriate Government Entities or other applicable party a firm undertaking (including submission of evidence of financial assurance in a form acceptable to the Government Entities or other party), and (subject only to the payment of required premiums by the Purchaser and the Closing) will post, effective as of the Closing Date, the requisite bonds (including any reclamation bond) and any other financial assurance instruments that may be required (collectively, the "Bonds"), in a form and amount

acceptable to the Government Entities and other applicable Third Party. The Purchaser agrees to cooperate and work with the Government Entities or other parties to ensure that the required bonds and other financial assurance instruments become effective promptly after the applications to transfer are accepted by the Government Entities or other applicable parties and bond determinations are provided and to ensure the posting and acceptance by the Government Entities of the required bond and other financial assurance instruments, thereby allowing the complete, immediate and unrestricted release of the financial assurance instruments currently provided by TNB to the Government Entities.

7.5 Pre-Closing Access to Information

Prior to the Closing, the Vendor will (a) give the Purchaser and its authorized representatives, upon advance notice and during regular business hours, access to all books, records, reports, plans, certificates, files, documents and information related to the Assets, personnel, officers and other facilities and properties of the Business; and (b) permit the Purchaser to make such copies and inspections thereof, upon advance notice and during regular business hours, as the Purchaser may reasonably request; provided, however, that (i) any such access will be conducted at Purchaser's expense, in accordance with applicable Laws, under the supervision of the Vendor's personnel and in such a manner as to maintain confidentiality and not to interfere with the normal operations of the businesses of the Vendor and its Affiliates; and (ii) the Vendor will not be required to provide to the Purchaser access to or copies of any records of former employees.

7.6 Public Announcements

Except as necessary for the Party to make any filing with the Court to obtain approval of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and upon 24 hours' advance notice of such public announcement or press release, no Party will issue any press release or public announcement concerning this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement without obtaining the prior written approval of the other Party, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, unless, in the reasonable judgment of the Purchaser or the Vendor, disclosure is otherwise required by applicable Law, or the Court with respect to filings to be made with the Court in connection with this Agreement, provided that the Party intending to make such release will use its reasonable best efforts consistent with such applicable Law or the Court's or other regulatory requirements, to consult with the other Party with respect to the text thereof.

7.7 Further Actions

From and after the Closing Date, each Party will execute and deliver such documents and other papers and take such further actions as may reasonably be required to carry out the provisions of this Agreement and give effect to the transactions contemplated herein, including the execution and delivery of such assignments, deeds and other documents as may be necessary to transfer any Assets as provided in this Agreement; provided that, the Vendor will not be obligated to make any payment or deliver anything of value to any Third Party (other than filing with and payment of any application fees to Government Entities, all of which will be paid or reimbursed by the Purchaser) in order to obtain any consent to the transfer of Assets or the assumption of Assumed Liabilities.

7.8 Conduct of Business

The Vendor covenants that until Closing, subject to any limitation imposed as a result of being subject to the Insolvency Proceedings and except as: (i) the Parties may approve otherwise in writing as set forth below; or (ii) otherwise contemplated or permitted by this Agreement or another Transaction

Document; or (iv) required by Law (including any applicable Insolvency Law) or by any order of the Court, the Vendor, as Receiver, will continue to operate with respect to the Property (as defined in the Receivership Order) in accordance with the terms of the Receivership Order. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that on the date of execution of this Agreement until the Closing, the Province has stepped in as regulator to perform legally required care and maintenance activities to mitigate environmental consequences to the Property and will continue to do so until Closing.

7.9 Transaction Expenses

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements (including, without limitation, Section 11.2), each of the Purchaser and the Vendor will bear its own costs and expenses (including brokerage commissions, finders' fees or similar compensation, and legal fees and expenses) incurred in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby.

7.10 Certain Payments or Instruments Received from Third Parties

To the extent that, after the Closing Date: (a) the Purchaser receives any payment or instrument that is for the account of the Vendor according to the terms of this Agreement, the Purchaser will promptly deliver such amount or instrument to the Vendor; and (b) the Vendor receives any payment that is for the account of the Purchaser according to the terms of this Agreement or relates primarily to the Business, the Vendor will promptly deliver such amount or instrument to the Purchaser. All amounts due and payable under this Section 7.10 will be due and payable by the applicable Party in immediately available funds, by wire transfer to the account designated in writing by the relevant Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Party hereby undertakes to use reasonable commercial efforts to direct or forward all bills, invoices or like instruments to the appropriate Party.

7.11 Deemed Consent

For the purposes of this Agreement, the Purchaser will be deemed to have obtained all required consents in respect of the assignment of any Contract if, and to the extent that, pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order, the Vendor is authorized to assign to the Purchaser such Contract pursuant to the provisions of applicable Bankruptcy and Insolvency Laws.

7.12 Notification of Certain Matters

The Vendor will give written notice to the Purchaser and the Purchaser will give written notice to the Vendor, as applicable, promptly after becoming aware of: (a) the occurrence of any event, which would be likely to cause any condition set forth in Article 9 to be unsatisfied in any material respect at any time from the date hereof to the Closing Date; or (b) any notice or other communication from: (i) any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; or (ii) any Government Entity in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 7.12 will not limit or otherwise affect the remedies available hereunder to the Vendor or to the Purchaser.

7.13 Casualty Loss

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, if, before the Closing, all or any portion of the Assets is: (a) condemned or taken by eminent domain; or (b) a material portion is damaged

or destroyed by fire or other casualty; then the Vendor will notify the Purchaser promptly in writing of such fact, and (i) in the case of condemnation or taking, the Vendor will assign or pay, as the case may be, any proceeds thereof to the Purchaser at the Closing; and (ii) in the case of fire or other casualty, the Vendor will, at its option, either restore such damage or assign the insurance proceeds therefrom to the Purchaser at Closing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 7.13 will not in any way modify the Purchaser's other rights under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8 TAX MATTERS

8.1 Transfer Taxes

- 8.1.1 The Parties agree that the Purchase Price is exclusive of any Transfer Taxes. Subject to Section 8.2, the Purchaser shall, on Closing, pay any and all Transfer Taxes, including GST/HST, that are properly payable to the Vendor under applicable Law in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein and the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated therein. Furthermore, the Purchaser shall promptly pay directly to the appropriate Governmental Authority any and all Transfer Taxes that are properly payable under applicable Law in connection with this Agreement directly to the appropriate Governmental Authority, and promptly provide to the Vendor proof of such payment.
- 8.1.2 If the Purchaser wishes to claim any exemption relating to, or a reduced rate of, Transfer Taxes, in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated herein or the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated therein, the Purchaser will be solely responsible for ensuring that such exemption or election applies and, in that regard, will provide the Vendor prior to the Closing with its permit number, GST/HST number, or other similar registration numbers and/or any appropriate certificate of exemption, election and/or other document or evidence to support the claimed entitlement to such exemption or reduced rate by the Purchaser. The Vendor will make reasonable efforts to cooperate to the extent necessary to obtain any such exemption or reduced rate.

8.2 Tax Elections

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Vendor and the Purchaser agree that, on Closing Date, they shall jointly execute elections under section 167 of the ETA with respect to the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets by the Vendor. The Vendor and the Purchaser shall make the elections on the prescribed form containing the prescribed information and such election form shall be filed by the Purchaser in accordance with the requirements of the ETA, and, promptly thereafter, the Purchaser shall confirm to the Vendor in writing that such election form has been so filed. The Purchaser shall indemnify and hold the Vendor and TNB, as well as their shareholders, directors and employees, harmless in respect of any (i) GST/HST under the ETA that may be assessed against, or incurred by, the Vendor in relation to the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets, and (ii) any penalties, interests, and/or costs, including reasonable professional fees which may become payable by or assessed against the Vendor and/or TNB as a result of the transaction set forth in this Agreement not being eligible for such election, notably as a consequence of the Purchaser's failure to file the election form within the prescribed time, or any failure in acceptance by any Governmental Authority of those elections. This covenant to indemnify shall survive the Closing and shall continue in full force and effect for the benefit of the Vendor until the expiration of the time during which the relevant Governmental Authority may assess the Vendor in respect of the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets (as extended pursuant to any waivers, including extensions).

8.3 Tax Characterization of Payments under this Agreement

The Vendor and the Purchaser agree to treat all payments made either to or for the benefit of the other Party under this Agreement as adjustments to the Purchase Price for Tax purposes and that such treatment will govern for purposes hereof to the extent permitted under applicable Tax Law.

8.4 Records

After the Closing Date, the Purchaser and the Vendor, will each make available to the other, as reasonably requested, and to any Tax Authority, all information, records or documents relating to liability for Taxes with respect to the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Business for all periods prior to or including the Closing Date, and will preserve such information, records or documents until the expiration of any applicable statute of limitations or extensions thereof. In the event that one Party needs access to records in the possession of the other Party relating to any of the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, or the Business for purposes of preparing Tax Returns or complying with any Tax audit request, subpoena or other investigative demand by any Tax Authority, or for any other legitimate Tax-related purpose not injurious to the second Party, the other Party will allow representatives of the other Party access to such records during regular business hours at the other Party's place of business for the sole purpose of obtaining information for use as aforesaid and will permit such other Party to make extracts and copies thereof as may be necessary or convenient. The obligation to cooperate pursuant to this paragraph will terminate at the time the relevant applicable statute of limitations expires (giving effect to any extension thereof).

8.5 Tax Allocation

For purposes of Section 3.3(c) all real and personal property Taxes and similar ad valorem obligations levied with respect to the Assets, whether imposed or assessed before or after the Closing Date ("Periodic Taxes") for a taxable period that includes (but does not end on) the Closing Date (a "Straddle Period"), will be apportioned between the Vendor and the Purchaser as of the Closing Date based on the number of days of such taxable period included in the period ending with and including the Closing Date (together with periods ending before the Closing Date, the "Pre-Closing Tax Period"), and the number of days of such taxable period beginning after the Closing Date (together with any periods beginning after the Closing Date, the "Post-Closing Tax Period"). At the Closing, Periodic Taxes with respect to each Asset for the applicable Tax period will be prorated in accordance with the foregoing provisions based on the Tax assessment for such Asset for the applicable Tax period, if available, or otherwise, based on the last available Tax assessment with respect to such Asset. The Vendor will be responsible for such Periodic Taxes attributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods and the Purchaser will be responsible for such Periodic Taxes attributable to Post-Closing Tax Periods. At the Closing, (x) the Vendor will pay to the Purchaser an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the (i) unpaid Periodic Taxes attributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods over (ii) Periodic Taxes paid by TNB or the Vendor but apportioned hereunder to the Purchaser for Straddle Periods (each determined in accordance with the foregoing principles); or (y) the Purchaser will pay to the Vendor an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (i) Periodic Taxes apportioned to the Purchaser with respect to Straddle Periods but previously paid by TNB or the Vendor, over (ii) unpaid Periodic Taxes contributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods, as applicable. The Purchaser will also be responsible for preparing and filing all Periodic Tax returns required to be filed after the Closing Date.

ARTICLE 9 CONDITIONS OF CLOSING

9.1 Conditions to Each Party's Obligation

The Parties' obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents is subject to the satisfaction or the express written waiver of the Parties, at or prior to the Closing, of the following conditions:

- (a) receipt of an executed copy of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;
- (b) there will be in effect no Law or Order prohibiting the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby that has not been withdrawn or terminated;
- (c) the Approval and Vesting Order will have been granted by the Court, in a form satisfactory to both Parties;
- (d) all required Transfer Approvals will have been granted, in a form satisfactory to both Parties;
- (e) all required Third Party consents associated with the assignment of the Contracts (or waivers thereof) will have been obtained;
- (f) there will be in effect no Law or Order prohibiting the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby that has not been withdrawn or terminated; and
- (g) no action or proceeding (including the appeal of, motion to vary, stay or vacate, or, motion for leave to appeal the Approval and Vesting Order) will be outstanding, pending or threatened by any Person, government, governmental authority, regulatory body or agency to challenge the Approval and Vesting Order or enjoin, restrict or to prohibit the sale and purchase of the Assets contemplated hereby.

9.2 Conditions to Vendor's Obligation

The Vendor's obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents will be subject to the fulfillment (or express written waiver by the Vendor), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following additional conditions:

- (a) each representation and warranty of the Purchaser contained in Article 5 will be true and correct: (i) as if restated on and as of the Closing Date; or (ii) if made as of a date specified therein, as of such date. The Vendor will have received a certificate of the Purchaser to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (b) the covenants, obligations, and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Purchaser on or before the Closing will have been complied with and not been breached in any material respect as determined in the sole discretion of the Vendor. The Vendor will have received a certificate of Purchaser to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof; and

(c) each of the deliveries required to be made to the Vendor pursuant to Section 10.2 will have been so delivered.

9.3 Conditions to Purchaser's Obligation

The Purchaser's obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents will be subject to the fulfillment (or express written waiver by the Purchaser), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following additional conditions:

- (a) each of the representations and warranties of the Vendor set forth in Article 6 will be true and correct: (i) as if restated on and as of the Closing Date; or (ii) if made as of a date specified therein, as of such date, except in each case for any failure to be true and correct that has not had a Material Adverse Effect. The Purchaser will have received a certificate of the Vendor to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (b) the covenants, obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Vendor on or before the Closing will have been complied with and not been breached in any material respect. The Purchaser will have received a certificate of the Vendor to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (c) there will not have occurred any changes, effects or circumstances constituting, or which would be reasonably likely to result in, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect; and
- (d) each of the deliveries required to be made to the Purchaser pursuant to Section 10.2 will have been so delivered.

ARTICLE 10 CLOSING

10.1 Closing Date and Time

The Closing will take place at the offices of Dentons, 20th Floor, 250 Howe Street Vancouver, British Columbia, commencing at 10:00 am local time on a date that is on or before the Target Closing Date, subject to the conditions set forth in Article 9 (other than conditions to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the waiver or fulfilment of those conditions) having been satisfied or, if permissible, waived by the Vendor or Purchaser, as applicable or at such other place, date and time as will be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Purchaser and the Vendor (the "Closing Date"). At the Closing, legal title and equitable title with respect to the Assets will transfer to the Purchaser.

10.2 Closing Deliveries

At the Closing, each Party shall deliver or cause to be delivered the following:

- (a) The Vendor and the Purchaser will each execute and deliver duly executed copies of each of the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party.
- (b) The Vendor and the Purchaser will deliver the officer's certificates required to be delivered pursuant to Article 9, as applicable.

- (c) The Vendor will deliver an entered copy of the Approval and Vesting Order.
- (d) Each Party will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the other any other documents reasonably requested by such other Party in order to effect, or evidence the consummation of, the transactions contemplated herein or otherwise provided for under this Agreement.
- (e) The Purchaser will pay to, or cause to be paid to, as directed by the Vendor, in cash, the Cash Payment minus the Deposit, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account or accounts designated by the Vendor.
- (f) Each Party will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the other any other documents reasonably requested by such other Party in order to effect, or evidence the consummation of, the transactions contemplated herein or otherwise provided for under this Agreement.

10.3 Filing of Certificate

As soon as reasonably practical following the Closing, the Receiver will file the Certificate, confirming that the Closing has completed, provided that the Purchaser is not, at that time, in breach of any of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement or any other Agreement between the Vendor, the Receiver or the Monitor and the Purchaser or any agreement between a Government Entity and the Purchaser, the Approval and Vesting Order or any other Order of the Court.

ARTICLE 11 TERMINATION

11.1 Termination

This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

- (a) by mutual written consent of the Vendor and the Purchaser;
- (b) by the Vendor, in its sole discretion, if any of the conditions set in Section 9.1 or Section
 9.2 are incapable of being satisfied by the Outside Date and the Vendor has not waived such condition at or prior to Closing;
- (c) by the Purchaser if any of the conditions set in Section 9.1 or Section 9.3 are incapable of being satisfied by the Outside Date and the Purchaser has not waived such condition at or prior to Closing; or
- (d) by either Party, upon written notice to the other:
 - (i) if an Order is made prohibiting or otherwise precluding the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby; or
 - (ii) if the Closing does not take place by the Outside Date,

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 11.1(d) will not be available to any Party whose breach hereof has been the principal cause of, or has directly resulted in, the event or condition purportedly giving rise to a right to terminate this Agreement under such clause.

11.2 Effects of Termination

If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 11.1, all further obligations of the Parties under or pursuant to this Agreement will terminate without further liability of any Party to the other except for the provisions of (a) Section 7.6 (Public Announcements); (b) Section 7.9 (Transaction Expenses); (c) Section 11.2 (Effects of Termination); (d) Section 13.6 (Successors and Assigns); (e) Section 13.7 (Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction); and (f) Section 13.8 (Notices).

ARTICLE 12 POST CLOSING ACTIVITIES AND AGREEMENTS

12.1 Responsibility for Services to the Mines

All charges for water, electricity, natural gas, telephone, sewer, trash disposal and other recurring services provided to the Mines which relate to such services provided prior to the Closing Date will be for the account of GNB, and all charges for such services provided on and after the Closing Date will be for the account of Purchaser, regardless of the date on which the invoice or other statement for such services is rendered. The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that: (a) as of the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing, the Province has stepped in as regulator to perform legally required care and maintenance activities to mitigate environmental consequences to the Property and will continue to do so until Closing; and (b) the Vendor is the Receiver of the Property (as such term is defined in the Receivership Order) and until Closing the Receiver will continue to operate with respect to the Property (as defined in the Receivership Order) in accordance with the terms of the Receivership Order.

12.2 General Post-Closing Access to the Assets

In addition to the other provisions hereof granting to the Vendor access to the Mines after the Closing Date for certain specified purposes, the Parties agree that upon reasonable prior notice to Purchaser, the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor will be given reasonable access to the Assets, including, without limitation, all financial and corporate books and records of TNB and copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business, as necessary to enable TNB and/or the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor to carry out or respond to day-to-day operational requirements, reporting requirements of Government Entities, removal of Excluded Assets from the Mines, ongoing tax and accounting functions and obligations, and other activities of TNB and/or the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor with respect to the sale of the Assets and the winding down of TNB's responsibilities with respect thereto. All such activities of the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor will be conducted in a manner which complies with Purchaser's safety and operating procedures and in a manner which will not interfere unreasonably with the activities of Purchaser. The Purchaser will retain all financial and corporate books and records of TNB, including, without limitation, copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business, for the statutory periods required by any Law.

ARTICLE 13 MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 No Survival of Representations and Warranties or Covenants

No representations or warranties, covenants or agreements in this Agreement or in any instrument delivered pursuant to this Agreement will survive beyond the Closing Date. Accordingly, no claim of any

nature whatsoever for breach of such representations, warranties, covenants or agreements may be made, or Action instituted, after the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the covenants and agreements that by their terms are to be satisfied after the Closing Date will survive until satisfied in accordance with their terms.

13.2 Supplement to Disclosure Schedules

From time to time prior to the Closing, the Vendor will supplement or amend the Disclosure Schedules with respect to any matter that, if existing, occurring or known at the date of this Agreement, would have been required to be set forth or described in the Disclosure Schedules. The Disclosure Schedules will be deemed amended by all such supplements and amendments for all purposes (except for purposes of determining whether the conditions set forth in Article 9 of the Agreement have been satisfied).

13.3 Remedies

No failure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement by any Party will operate as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege, nor will any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement preclude any other or further exercise of such right, remedy, power or privilege or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege.

13.4 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties and their permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or will confer upon any other Person any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

13.5 Consent to Amendments; Waivers

No Party will be deemed to have waived any provision of this Agreement or any of the other Transaction Documents unless such waiver is in writing, and then such waiver will be limited to the circumstances set forth in such written waiver. The Transaction Documents will not be amended, altered or qualified except by an instrument in writing signed by all the Parties hereto or thereto, as the case may be.

13.6 Successors and Assigns

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, all representations, warranties, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement or any of the Ancillary Agreements by or on behalf of the Parties thereto will be binding upon and enure to the benefit of such Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder may be assigned by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent may be withheld in such Party's sole discretion, except for (i) assignment to an Affiliate of a Party (provided that such Party remains liable jointly and severally with its assignee Affiliate for the assigned obligations to the other Party); and (ii) assignment by the Vendor pursuant to an order of Court, which will not require the consent of the Purchaser.

13.7 Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction

13.7.1 Any questions, claims, disputes, remedies or Actions arising from or related to this Agreement, and any relief or remedies sought by any Parties, will be governed exclusively by the Laws of the Province of

British Columbia and Environmental Law without regard to the rules of conflict of laws applied therein or any other jurisdiction.

13.7.2 To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, each Party (i) agrees that any claim, action or proceeding by such Party seeking any relief whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby will be brought only in the Court, if brought prior to the entry of a final order closing the Receivership Proceedings and the CCAA Proceedings; (ii) agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court, for purposes of all legal proceedings arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; (iii) waives and agrees not to assert any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of the venue of any such Action brought in such court or any claim that any such Action brought in such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum; (iv) agrees that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in Section 13.8 or any other manner as may be permitted by Law will be valid and sufficient service thereof; and (v) agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding will be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

13.8 Notices

All demands, notices, communications and reports provided for in this Agreement will be deemed given if in writing and delivered, if sent by telecopy, electronic mail, courier or sent by reputable overnight courier service (delivery charges prepaid) to any Party at the address specified below, or at such other address, to the attention of such other Person, and with such other copy, as the recipient Party has specified by prior written notice to the sending Party pursuant to the provisions of this Section 13.8.

(a) If to the Purchaser, to:

Bathurst Metallic Corp.

58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo, NB, E8K 3R8 Attention: Kevin Vienneau

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

With copies to:

Fogler, Rubinoff LLP

77 King Street West, Suite 3000 Toronto, ON M5K 1G8 Attention: Rick Moscone Email: rmoscone@foglers.com

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(b) If to the Vendor to:

FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Suite 1450 – 701 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC, V7Y 1B6

Attention: Email:

With copies to the Vendor's counsel:

Dentons Canada LLP

250 Howe Street, 20th Floor Vancouver, BC, V6C 3R1 Attention: John R. Sandrelli

Email: john.sandrelli@dentons.com

Any such demand, notice, communication or report will be deemed to have been given pursuant to this Agreement when delivered personally, when confirmed if by facsimile transmission or electronic mail, or on the calendar day after deposit with a reputable overnight courier service, as applicable.

13.9 Exhibits, Disclosure Schedules

The Disclosure Schedules and the Exhibits attached hereto constitute a part of this Agreement and are incorporated into this Agreement for all purposes as if fully set forth herein.

13.10 Counterparts

The Parties may execute this Agreement in two or more counterparts (no one of which need contain the signatures of all Parties) and deliver the Agreement by facsimile or other form of electronic transmission, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

13.11 No Presumption

The Parties agree that this Agreement was negotiated fairly between them at arm's length and that the final terms of this Agreement are the product of the Parties' negotiations. Each Party represents and warrants that it has sought and received experienced legal counsel of its own choosing with regard to the contents of this Agreement and the rights and obligations affected hereby. The Parties agree that this Agreement will be deemed to have been jointly and equally drafted by them, and that the provisions of this Agreement therefore should not be construed either for or against a Party on the grounds that such Party drafted or was more responsible for drafting the provisions.

13.12 Severability

If any provision, clause, or part of this Agreement, or the application thereof under certain circumstances, is held invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in any jurisdiction, (i) as to such jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such provision, clause or part under other circumstances; and (ii) as for any other jurisdiction, any provision of this Agreement, will not be affected and will remain in full force and effect, unless, in each case, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability in such jurisdiction materially impairs the ability of the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Upon such determination that any clause or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in such jurisdiction, the Parties will negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in a mutually acceptable manner in order

that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible even in such jurisdiction.

13.13 Specific Performance

13.13.1 The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that any breach of the terms of this Agreement by Purchaser would give rise to irreparable harm for which money damages would not be an adequate remedy, and, accordingly agrees that, in addition to any other remedies, the Vendor will be entitled to enforce the terms of this Agreement, including, for the avoidance of doubt, Purchaser's obligation to fund the Purchase Price, by a decree of specific performance without the necessity of proving the inadequacy of money damages as a remedy and without the necessity of posting a bond.

13.13.2 The Purchaser agrees that it will not oppose the granting of an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement on the basis that (i) there is adequate remedy at law; or (ii) an award of specific performance is not an appropriate remedy for any reason at law or equity. In the event the Vendor seeks an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, it will not be required to provide any bond or other security in connection with any such order or injunction.

13.14 Entire Agreement

This Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements set forth the entire understanding of the Parties relating to the subject matter thereof, and all prior or contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations and warranties, whether written or oral, are superseded by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, and all such prior or contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations and warranties are hereby terminated. In the event of any irreconcilable conflict between this Agreement and any of the Ancillary Agreements, the provisions of this Agreement will prevail.

13.15 Damages

Under no circumstances will any Party be liable for punitive damages or indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or any breach or alleged breach of any of the terms hereof, including damages alleged as a result of tortious conduct.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC., SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE COURT APPOINTED RECEIVER OF TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD., AND NOT IN ITS PERSONAL CAPACITY

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		Name: Craig Munro
		Title: Managing Director
		BATHURST METALLIC CORP.
	By:	
		Name:
		Title:
AGREED AND ACKNOWLEDGED BY:		
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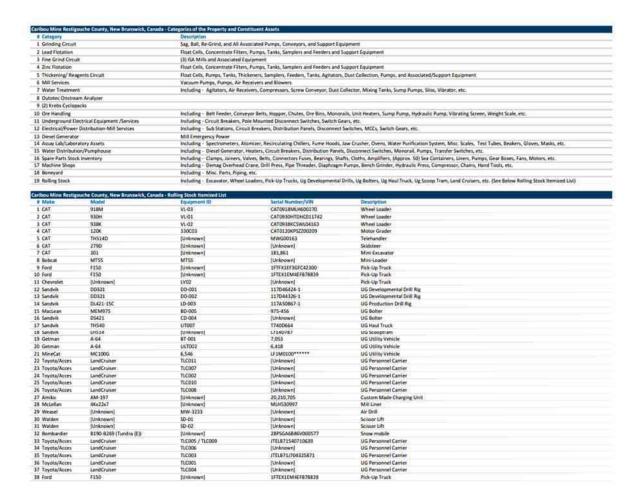
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	Ву:	
		Name:
		Title:
		BATHURST METALLIC CORP.
	Ву:	Kevin Vienneou
		Name: Kevin Vienneau
		Title: President
AGREED AND ACKNOWLEDGED BY:		
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SCHEDULE A

Receivership Process Assets

Section A.1 - Equipment & Machinery



Section A.2 - Contracts

Nil

Section A.3 – Transferred Intellectual Property

Nil

SCHEDULE B

Real Property Assets

Section B.1 – Leased Real Property

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Section B.3 – Real Property

a. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032.

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- a. Caribou Approval to Operate I-11977, issued by DELG;
- b. Petroleum Storage Site License 7313;
- c. Licencing for radiation devices from Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission #12086-2-22.9;
- d. Industry Canada radio spectrum license, for VHF / UHF (licence number TBC);
- e. Restigouche Approval to Operate I-11978;
- f. Petroleum Storage Site License 4327; and

g. Purchaser's Permit (Mining/Quarrying), if required.

Schedule 3.2 - Excluded Assets

means all rights, interests and assets of the Vendor and TNB, other than the Assets, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (a) all contracts of the Vendor and TNB that are not listed in Schedule A; (b) all cash, amounts on deposit or in possession of any bank or other depository institution, term deposits, and similar cash property of the Vendor or TNB; (c) amounts due to TNB; (d) the claim of TNB as against Glencore Corporation Canada or any of its affiliates in relation to amounts payable on account of GST/HST, and any amounts paid in connection with such claim; (e) all of the Vendor's correspondence and file material, including, without limitation, correspondence to and from the Vendor's legal counsel; (f) accounts, valuations and any other records or reports generated by the Vendor as a result or in the context of the administration of the Receivership Proceedings; and (g) the right to use the name "Trevali New Brunswick" and all domain names of TNB.

Schedule 4.2 - Asset Allocation Schedule

Caribou Mine Lease-\$2,000,000

Resitigouche Mine Lease -\$500,000

Rolling stock, equipment and hard assets - \$1,999,999

Mill and building-\$2,000,000

Real Property - \$1

EXHIBIT A FORM OF APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER

[see attached]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, C. 57, AS AMENDED AND THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.N.B. 1981, C. B-9.1, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (SALE APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER)

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BEFORE) THE HONOURABLE MADAM)	[DD]/[MMM]/2024
) JUSTICE FITZPATRICK)	
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ON THE APPLICATION of FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacity as court-appointed receiver (in such capacity, the "Receiver") of certain assets, undertakings and properties of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("TNB"), coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the [-] day of [MONTH], 2024; AND ON HEARING John Sandrelli, counsel for the Receiver, and those other counsel listed on <u>Schedule "A"</u> hereto; AND UPON READING the material filed, including the [Third] Report of the Receiver dated [-], 2024 (the "Report"); AND pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3 as amended, the British Columbia *Supreme Court Civil Rules*, and the inherent jurisdiction of this Honourable Court;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that:

- 1. On the "Closing Date", as defined in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 27, 2024 (the "Sale Agreement") between the Receiver and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the "Purchaser"), a copy of which is attached as Appendix "A" to the Report, the definition of "Property", as set out in the Order of this Court granted January 9, 2023 (the "Receivership Order"), appointing the Receiver, is hereby expanded to include all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, without any limitations. For greater certainty, the definition of "Property", as set out in the Receivership Order, shall include the Real Property Assets, as defined in the Sale Agreement.
- 2. The sale transaction (the "**Transaction**") contemplated by the Sale Agreement is hereby approved, and the Sale Agreement is commercially reasonable. The execution of the Sale Agreement by the Receiver is hereby authorized and approved, with such minor amendments to the Sale Agreement as the Receiver and the Purchaser may agree to, and the Receiver is hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for the completion of the Transaction and for the conveyance to the Purchaser of the assets described in the Sale Agreement (the "**Assets**").
- 3. This Order shall constitute the only authorization required by the Receiver to proceed with the Transaction, and that no shareholder or other approval shall be required in connection therewith, save for those authorizations contemplated in the Sale Agreement.
- 4. Upon delivery by the Receiver to the Purchaser of a certificate substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" hereto (the "Receiver's Certificate"), all of the TNB's right, title and interest in and to the Assets described in the Sale Agreement and listed on Schedule "C" hereto shall vest absolutely in the Purchaser in fee simple, free and clear of and from any and all security interests (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), hypothecs, mortgages, trusts or deemed trusts (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), liens, executions, levies, charges, debentures or other financial or monetary claims, whether or not they have attached or been perfected, registered or filed and whether secured, unsecured or otherwise (collectively, the "Claims") including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (i) any encumbrances or charges created by the Orders of this Court, including, but not limited to, the Order of this Court granted August 19, 2022, as amended and restated by the Order of this Court dated August 29, 2022, and the Receivership Order; (ii) all charges, security interests or claims evidenced by registrations pursuant to the Personal Property Security Act of British Columbia, the Personal Property Security Act of New Brunswick or any other personal property registry system; and (iii) those Claims listed on **Schedule "D"** hereto (all of which are collectively

referred to as the "Encumbrances"), and, for greater certainty, this Court orders that all of the Encumbrances affecting or relating to the Assets are hereby expunged and discharged as against the Assets.

- 5. Upon presentation for registration in the Land Registry of New Brunswick of a certified copy of this Order, together with a letter from the Receiver's counsel authorizing registration of this Order, the New Brunswick Registrar General of Land Titles is hereby directed to:
 - enter the Purchaser as the owner of the Real Property, as identified in Section B.3 of <u>Schedule "C"</u> hereto (the "Real Property"), together with all buildings and other structures, facilities and improvements located thereon and fixtures, systems, interests, licenses, rights, covenants, restrictive covenants, commons, ways, profits, privileges, rights, easements and appurtenances to the said hereditaments belonging, or with the same or any part thereof, held or enjoyed or appurtenant thereto, in fee simple in respect of the Real Property, and this Court declares that it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Court on investigation that the title of the Purchaser in and to the Real Property is a good, safe holding and marketable title and directs the New Brunswick Registrar General of Land Titles to register indefeasible title in favour of the Purchaser as aforesaid; and
 - (b) having considered the interest of third parties, to discharge, release, delete and expunge from title to the Real Property all of the registered Encumbrances.
- 6. For the purposes of determining the nature and priority of Claims, the net proceeds from the sale of the Assets shall stand in the place and stead of the Assets, and from and after the delivery of the Receiver's Certificate all Claims shall attach to the net proceeds from the sale of the Assets with the same priority as they had with respect to the Assets immediately prior to the sale, as if the Assets had not been sold and remained in the possession or control of the person having had possession or control immediately prior to the sale.
- 7. The Receiver is to file with the Court a copy of the Receiver's Certificate forthwith after delivery thereof.
- 8. Pursuant to Section 7(3)(c) of the Canada *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* or Section 18(10)(o) of the *Personal Information Protection Act* of British Columbia, the Receiver is hereby authorized and permitted to disclose and transfer to the Purchaser all human resources and payroll information in the company's

records pertaining to the TNB's past and current employees. The Purchaser shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and shall be entitled to use the personal information provided to it in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by TNB.

- 9. Subject to the terms of the Sale Agreement, vacant possession of the Assets, including any real property, shall be delivered by the Receiver to the Purchaser at 10:00 am PST on the Closing Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement).
- 10. The Receiver, with the consent of the Purchaser, shall be at liberty to extend the Target Closing Date and the Outside Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement) to such later date as those parties may agree without the necessity of a further Order of this Court.
- 11. Notwithstanding:
 - (a) these proceedings;
 - (b) any applications for a bankruptcy order in respect of TNB now or hereafter made pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* and any bankruptcy order issued pursuant to any such applications; and
 - (c) any assignment in bankruptcy made by or in respect of TNB,

the vesting of the Assets in the Purchaser pursuant to this Order shall be binding on any trustee in bankruptcy that may be appointed in respect of TNB and shall not be void or voidable by creditors of TNB, nor shall it constitute or be deemed to be a transfer at undervalue, fraudulent preference, assignment, fraudulent conveyance or other reviewable transaction under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, nor shall it constitute oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct pursuant to any applicable federal or provincial legislation.

General

12. THIS COURT REQUESTS the aid and recognition of other Canadian and foreign Courts, tribunal, regulatory or administrative bodies, including any Court or administrative tribunal of any federal or State Court or administrative body in the United States of America, Burkina Faso, Namibia and South Africa to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Order where required. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to TNB and the Receiver, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status

to the Receiver in any foreign proceeding, or to assist TNB and the Receiver and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

- 13. The Receiver or any other party have liberty to apply for such further or other directions or relief as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order.
- 14. Endorsement of this Order by counsel appearing on this application other than counsel for the Receiver is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY CONSENT:

Signature of John Sandrelli Lawyer for the Receiver		
	By the Court.	
	Registrar	

SCHEDULE "A"

LIST OF COUNSEL

Counsel Name	Party Represented
John Sandrelli	FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd.

SCHEDULE "B"

FORM OF RECEIVER'S CERTIFICATE

No. S-226670 Vancouver Registry

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PETITIONERS

RECEIVER'S CERTIFICATE

RECITALS:

- A. Pursuant to an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") dated January 9, 2023, as amended by an Order of the Court dated [-], 2024, FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as the "Receiver" of all of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd., including all proceeds thereof, pursuant to *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3 as amended.
- B. Unless otherwise stated herein, all capitalized terms in this Receiver's Certificate shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 27, 2024 (the "Sale Agreement") among the Receiver and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the "Purchaser"). All references to Purchaser herein shall include any permitted assignee, if any, of the Purchaser.
- C. Pursuant to an Order, dated [-], 2024 (the "Sale Approval Order"), among other things, the Court approved the Sale Agreement, and provided for the vesting in the Purchaser of all of the rights, title, and interest in and to the Assets, which vesting is to

be effective with respect to the Assets upon the Receiver filing a certificate confirming that the Closing has completed.

THE RECEIVER CERTIFIES the following:

- 1. The Purchaser has paid the Purchase Price in full in accordance with the Sale Agreement.
- 2. Each of the conditions to Closing as set out in the Sale Agreement has been satisfied or waived by the Vendor and/or the Purchaser, as applicable.
- 3. The Closing has completed.

This Certificate was executed by the Receiver at [Time] on [Date].

FTI Consulting Canada Inc., solely in its capacity as the Court-appointed Receiver of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd., and not in its personal capacity

Per:			
	Name:		
	Title:		

SCHEDULE "C"

ASSETS

Section A.1 - Equipment & Machinery



Section A.2 – Contracts

Nil

Section A.3 – Transferred Intellectual Property

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SCHEDULE "D"

LISTED CLAIMS

[To be completed.]

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ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER)

DENTONS CANADA LLP BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS 250 Howe Street, 20th Floor Vancouver, BC V6C 3R8 Phone No.: (604) 687-4460 Attention: Eamonn Watson

File No. 584476-9

EXHIBIT B

LIMITED ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY AGREEMENT - CARIBOU

This Agreement dated as of [MONTH], 2024.		
BETWEEN:		
	HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")	
	- and –	
	BATHURST METALLIC CORP. , a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("Bathurst Metallic")	
	(each a "Party" and, together, the "Parties")	
BACKGROUND		
claims and lea	(New Brunswick) Ltd. (" Trevali NB ") is the former owner of certain mining ases, including the Mining Lease (as hereinafter defined), relating to the and mill complex located near Bathurst, New Brunswick (the " Caribou	
those mining	llic acquired ownership of the Caribou Mine including, without limitation, assets and claims described in Schedule A hereto, as a result of the ommenced by Trevali NB under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act	
	llic desires to secure an agreement with the Minister in relation to the ertain historic environmental liabilities associated with the Caribou Mine;	
of the obligation	eve resolved to enter into this Agreement to document their understanding ons of the Parties in relation to the allocation of environmental liabilities, d costs in relation to the Caribou Mine; and	
E. The Minister Agreement.	r is duly authorized by Order-in-Council dated , 2024 made pursuant to section 6 of the Mining Act to enter into this	

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained below and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1.0 **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless otherwise specified, the following terms shall have the following meaning:
 - i. "Agreement" means this agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - ii. "Historic Liabilities" means environmental liability and reclamation costs associated with the "Anaconda Tailings Area", the "Open Pit", the "Waste Rock Storage Area", and the G-Pond, as those terms are described in Section 5.6 of the June 4, 2012, version of the Reclamation Plan and for those amounts estimated in Table 8.1 of the Reclamation Plan
 - iii. "Mining Lease" means Mining Lease No. ML-246.
 - iv. "Reclamation Plan" means that certain report entitled "Program for the Protection, Reclamation, and Rehabilitation of the Environment" dated June 4, 2012, prepared by Stantec Consulting Ltd. and submitted by Trevali NB to, and approved by, the Minister, as amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

The use of defined terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Reclamation Plan.

2.0 BATHURST METALLIC RESPONSIBILITY

- 2.1 Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic agrees to be responsible for all environmental liability, of any kind, howsoever imposed, including reclamation work, rehabilitation work, remediation work and other environmental work of any nature or kind, arising out of ownership, exploration, development, production, or any other activities undertaken at or in connection with Caribou Mine, other than in respect to the Historic Liabilities.
- 2.2 Subject to Section 6.0 below, Bathurst Metallic shall also be responsible for one-fifth (1/5) of the cost for post closure long-term water treatment.

3.0 PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 The Parties agree that the Minister will be responsible for one hundred percent (100%) of the Historic Liabilities.
- 3.2 Subject to Section 6.0 below, the Minister shall also be responsible for four-fifths (4/5) of the costs for post closure long-term water treatment.

4.0 SURFACE WASTE ROCK DISPOSAL

4.1 Bathurst Metallic agrees to deploy its best efforts to use existing waste rock stored on the surface in the form of roads, containment dykes and waste dumps (hereinafter referred to as "Waste Rock") as backfill in the underground operations. Bathurst Metallic acknowledges the financial benefit it receives from utilizing Waste Rock as backfill in

- underground operations and agrees that it shall bear the entire cost and expense of the removal and placement of the Waste Rock underground.
- 4.2 Bathurst Metallic agrees to allow the Minister the option to store and dispose of Restigouche mine acid waste rock at the Caribou Mine site in a manner agreeable to Bathurst Metallic, in its sole discretion, and which does not (i) interfere with normal site operations or (ii) materially affect site water treatment or any final closure plan. Such Restigouche waste rock shall be the responsibility of the Minister.

5.0 PROGRESSIVE RECLAMATION

- 5.1 Bathurst Metallic acknowledges that the Minister intends to undertake a program of progressive reclamation to resolve the Historic Liabilities and agrees that the Minister, or its authorized representatives, shall have the right to enter upon the land owned, leased or occupied by Bathurst Metallic for the purpose of conducting environmental reclamation work, provided that such entry and activities do not unreasonably interfere with the normal and lawful operations of Caribou Mine.
- 5.2 The Minister shall provide reasonable advance notice to Bathurst Metallic of its intention to enter the premises for environmental reclamation work, specifying the nature and scope of the activities to be undertaken. Bathurst Metallic agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Minister to facilitate the timely and safe execution of the environmental reclamation work.
- 5.3 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Minister shall take all reasonable measures to minimize any disruption to Bathurst Metallic's operations. If Bathurst Metallic determines that the proposed environmental reclamation work would cause undue interference with its operations, the Minister and Bathurst Metallic shall work together in good faith to identify alternative measures or timeframes that address both the environmental concerns and the operational needs of Caribou Mine.

6.0 POST CLOSURE LONG-TERM WATER TREATMENT

- 6.1 Should on-going site water collection and treatment be required following reclamation of the Caribou Mine and related site facilities following the three (3) year monitoring period specified in the Reclamation Plan, the Parties hereby agree to share the collection and treatment costs. To this end, subject to section 6.4 below, Bathurst Metallic shall bear one-fifth (20%) of such total costs and the Minister shall bear four-fifths (80%) of such total costs. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Costs" incurred by the Minister shall include the costs only of environmental monitoring, collection and treatment of water and not the direct costs of persons, materials and equipment ordinarily employed by the Minister or other department or agency of the Crown in Right of the Province of New Brunswick performing tasks that are normally performed in the execution of their duties.
- 6.2 In order to evidence Bathurst Metallic's commitment to fund its share of the costs associated with post closure long-term water treatment, Bathurst Metallic agrees to make cash payments (hereinafter each a "Payment" and collectively, the "Payments") to the Minister. The Payments shall commence on the earlier of either the date Bathurst Metallic starts commercial production at the Caribou Mine or March 5, 2026, and thereafter on

each anniversary date of the aforementioned event. Each Payment shall be in the amount of One Million Five Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand and Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,585,400.00), up to a maximum aggregate sum of Seven Million Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,927,000.00). Each Payment to the Minister shall be held in an interest-bearing trust account ("**Trust Account"**). All interest shall accrue to the account of Bathurst Metallic. The funds in the Trust Account shall be used solely to fund Bathurst Metallic's obligations described in this Agreement. Any amount of the Payments, if any, remaining following the completion of Bathurst Metallic's post closure long-term water treatment obligations shall be returned forthwith to Bathurst Metallic.

- 6.3 In the event the Reclamation Plan is amended, modified, or updated, the Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that the dollar value of the Payments and aggregate sum specified in section 6.2 will be automatically subject to an adjustment in accordance with the revised Annuity Payments for Long Term Water Treatment established in the amended, modified, or updated Reclamation Plan. For further clarity, the amounts specified in section 6.2 will be increased or decreased in accordance with any change to the total cost of the Annuity Payments for Long Term Water Treatment as established in the amended, modified, or updated Reclamation Plan.
- 6.4 In lieu of the cost sharing arrangement set out in section 6.1 above, should the Parties resolve to construct a new tailings dam ("New Tailings Dam") for the Caribou Mine as contemplated in section 6.6 of the Reclamation Plan, Bathurst Metallic and the Minister shall share the costs associated with such construction on an equal basis, provided the Minister's contribution does not exceed \$15,000,000.00. To this end, the Minister shall reimburse Bathurst Metallic one half (50%) of the costs of the construction of the New Tailings Dam on a go forward or as required basis, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$15,000,000.00, and any costs thereafter shall be the full responsibility of Bathurst Metallic. The Payments submitted by Bathurst Metallic and held in the Trust Account in accordance with section 6.2 above may be accessed for the purposes of Bathurst Metallic's share of the cost of construction of the New Tailings Dam if the Minister, in its sole discretion, deems that security for long-term water treatment is no longer required from Bathurst Metallic. The decision to proceed with the construction of a New Tailings Dam shall be based on a joint determination by both parties that it is necessary for the efficient management of the reclamation and rehabilitation of the Caribou Mine and shall be exercisable only upon the mutual written agreement between the Parties.

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Schedule "A"

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- 1. Mining Lease No: ML-246
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No: SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease No. 415060027)
- 3. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032;
- 4. All right, title and interest in and to all additional exploration properties (with the exception of any such properties that related to Industrial Surface Lease No: SIML 2473 or Mining Lease No. ML-255) that were previously owned by, or under option, to Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. as of _______.
- 5. All right, title and interest in all mining claims that were previously owned by, or under option, to Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. as of ______.

Schedule "B" Reclamation Plan [to be attached]

EXHIBIT C

LIMITED ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY AGREEMENT- RESTIGOUCHE

This Agr	reement dated	as of day of [MONTH], 2024.
BETWE	EN:	
	I	HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")
	-	- and –
	F	BATHURST METALLIC CORP. , a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("Bathurst Metallic")
	((each a " <i>Party</i> " and, together, the "Parties")
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NOW TH	HEREFORE, ir	n consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained below

and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby

1.0 DEFINITIONS

acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless otherwise defined elsewhere, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
 - i. "Agreement" means this agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - ii. "Industrial Surface Lease" means Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158).
 - iii. "Mining Lease" means Mining Lease No. ML- 255.
 - iv. "**Province**" means His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development.
 - v. "Reclamation Plan" means that certain report entitled "Program for the Protection, Reclamation, and Rehabilitation of the Environment" dated June 1, 2015 prepared by Stantec Consulting Ltd. and submitted by Trevali NB to, and approved by, the Minister, as amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time, a copy of which Reclamation Plan is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

The use of defined terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Reclamation Plan.

2.0 RECLAMATION PLAN AND ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY

- 2.1 This Agreement incorporates by reference the entirety of the Reclamation Plan and each party agrees to abide by and fulfill all obligations outlined therein. By executing this Agreement, the Parties acknowledge having reviewed and understood the contents of the Reclamation Plan and agree to be bound by its terms, descriptions, contemplated actions, and allocation of responsibility including:
 - a) the Re Opening Plan as described in Section 4.2;
 - b) the Reclamation Activities Required by Trevali NB as described in Section 5.1;
 - c) the Reclamation Activities Required by the Province as described in Section 5.2;
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 - (i) Post Closure Activities required by Trevali NB as described in Section 8.1;
 - (ii) Post Closure Activities required by the Province as described in Section 8.2;
 - e) The Reclamation Cost Estimates described in Section 10 including, the estimated Closure Costs and Post Closure Water Treatment Costs to be borne by the Province set out in Table 10.1 and 10.2, respectively and the estimated Closure Costs to be borne by Trevali NB after the conclusion of Underground Operations set out in Table 10.3.

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Schedule "B"

[Insert Copy of Stantec Reclamation Plan]

EXHIBIT D

FUNDING AGREEMENT

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BETWEEN:

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")

- and -

BATHURST METALLIC CORP., a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("**Bathurst Metallic**")

(each, a "Party", and together, the "Parties")

BACKGROUND

- A. As a result of the insolvency of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd., the Minister, since January 25, 2023, has undertaken care and maintenance activities at the Caribou mine and mill complex (the "Caribou Mine"), the Restigouche Mine (the "Restigouche Mine"), and the Halfmile Mine (the "Halfmile Mine"), all located near Bathurst, New Brunswick.
- B. Bathurst Metallic has acquired ownership of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including those mining assets and claims described in Schedule "A" hereto, as a result of the proceedings commenced by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (Canada);
- C. The Minister is committed to the responsible management of mines and minerals within the Province of New Brunswick and recognizes the importance of an orderly hand off of care and maintenance responsibilities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, as well as the continued development of those resources:
- D. Bathurst Metallic acknowledges its responsibility for the care and maintenance of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine and welcomes the Government's support in achieving the common goal of an orderly hand off and responsible resource management;
- E. The Parties have resolved to enter into this Agreement to formalize the terms and conditions governing the Minister's interim funding of Bathurst Metallic's care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine; and

F.	The Minister is duly authorized by Order-in-Council	dated
	, 2024 made pursuant to section 6 of the Mining Act to	enter
	into this Agreement.	

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained below and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1.0 DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 **Defined Terms**: In this Agreement, unless otherwise specified, the following terms shall have the following meaning:
 - "Agreement" means this Agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - ii. "Applicable Law" means all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, by-laws, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations and directives.
 - iii. "Assets" means those mining assets and claims described in Schedule "A".
 - iv. "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or statutory holiday under the applicable laws of Canada or New Brunswick.
 - v. "Care and Maintenance Activities" means the work, tasks and procedures undertaken to preserve, safeguard, and sustain mining infrastructure, equipment, facilities, and the environment during a period when active production has been temporarily halted, including those activities described in Schedule "B".
 - vi. "Care and Maintenance Account" means the bank account established by Bathurst Metallic in accordance with section 4.1.
 - vii. "Confidential Information" means all information relating to the disclosing Party which is supplied by or on behalf of the disclosing Party (whether before or after the date of this Agreement), either in writing, orally or in any other form, directly or indirectly from or pursuant to discussions with the Recipient or which is obtained through observations made by the Recipient. "Confidential Information" also includes all analyses, compilations, studies and other documents whether prepared by or on behalf of a Party which contain or otherwise reflect or are derived from such information.
 - viii. "Dispute" means any dispute, controversy or claim of any kind whatsoever arising from, connected with or relating to this Agreement, including the interpretation of the terms hereof or any applicable law that affects this Agreement, or the transactions contemplated herein, or the breach, termination or validity hereof.
 - ix. **"Financial Assistance**" means the funding provided to Bathurst Metallic by the Minister in accordance with section 3.0 of this Agreement.
 - x. "Milestone" means any of the eight (8) milestones described in the Milestone Schedule.

- xi. "Milestone Payment Certificate" means a certificate in the form attached hereto as Schedule "D" which identifies the Milestone in respect of which it is being submitted, and requests payment of the applicable Milestone Payment.
- xii. "Milestone Payment Date" means, with respect to any Milestone, the day which is fifteen (15) Business Days after the later of (i) the day upon which the Milestone Payment Certificate in respect thereof is received by the Minister and (ii) the day all conditions for payment of the applicable Milestone Payment have been satisfied.
- xiii. "Milestone Payments" means the instalment payments, set out in the Milestone Schedule, which are to be paid to Bathurst Metallic following achievement of each Milestone and the satisfaction of the conditions of payment therefor, and "Milestone Payment" means any one of them.
- xiv. "Milestone Period" means the period of time between a particular Milestone and the subsequent Milestone as outlined in the Milestone Schedule.
- xv. "Milestone Schedule" means Schedule "C" attached to and forming part of this Agreement.
- xvi. "Mining Leases" means, collectively, the mining leases identified as ML-246 (Caribou Mine), ML-255 (Restigouche Mine), and ML-261 (Halfmile Mine) issued under the provisions of the Mining Act, SNB 1985, c M-14.1.
- xvii. "Uncontrollable Circumstance" means any circumstance, act or event beyond the reasonable control of a Party, including an act of God or public enemy, blockade, civil commotion, war, fire, pandemic, epidemic, and stop work order or injunction issued by a court or public authority having jurisdiction, which despite the reasonable efforts of the Party claiming relief to prevent its occurrence or moderate its effects, causes a delay or disruption in the performance of any obligation under this Agreement.

2.0 OBLIGATIONS OF BATHURST METALLIC

- 2.1 **Assistance Period**: Bathurst Metallic agrees to assume responsibility for Care and Maintenance Activities for Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine from the Minister starting on June 1, 2024, or upon the date a court order is issued vesting ownership of the Assets in Bathurst Metallic, whichever occurs later (the "Handover Date"). Immediately following the Handover Date, the Minister will provide assistance to Bathurst Metallic for a period of ten (10) Calendar Days (the "Assistance Period"), including the transfer of relevant information, knowledge transfer sessions, and on-site support to ensure a smooth transition. Both Parties agree to cooperate and collaborate in good faith during the Assistance Period to facilitate an orderly and effective handover.
- 2.2 **Care and Maintenance Activities:** Immediately following the Assistance Period, Bathurst Metallic shall be solely responsible for, and will proceed diligently and continuously with, the Care and Maintenance Activities.
- 2.3 **Milestone Schedule**: Bathurst Metallic shall carry out the Care and Maintenance Activities in strict compliance with Applicable Law and will diligently pursue and complete the Milestones described in the Milestone

- Schedule. Bathurst Metallic shall immediately notify the Minister of any circumstance that could result in significant delays to the Milestone Schedule.
- 2.4 **Taxes**: Bathurst Metallic shall pay from the Care and Maintenance Account all federal, provincial and local taxes, duties, utilities, charges, rates, fees and levies due with respect to Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine and the Care and Maintenance Activities.
- 2.5 **GAAP:** Bathurst Metallic shall adhere to generally accepted accounting principles with respect to all activities and transactions under this Agreement.
- 2.6 Access to Records: Bathurst Metallic authorizes the Minister and its authorized representatives to inspect, upon reasonable prior notice, its books, registers and records, wherever they may be located, in order to verify that such accounts and documents reflect all undertakings, agreements and projects related to this Agreement.
- 2.7 **Commitments**: Without limiting any of the obligations of Bathurst Metallic under this Agreement:
 - i. Bathurst Metallic shall carry out the Care and Maintenance Activities; and
 - ii. where possible in terms of cost, quality and availability, Bathurst Metallic shall use New Brunswick goods and services in relation to the Care and Maintenance Activities where such Care and Maintenance Activities are paid for from the funds provided by the Minister to Bathurst Metallic pursuant to **Section 3.0**.
- 2.8 **Financial Affairs**: Bathurst Metallic authorizes the Minister and the Minister's representatives to discuss the affairs of Bathurst Metallic as they relate to the Care and Maintenance Activities and the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister with Bathurst Metallic's auditors, lawyers, insurers or bankers.
- 2.9 **Indemnity:** Bathurst Metallic shall forever release, discharge, indemnify and save harmless the Minister and the Minister's representatives, contractors, servants and employees, and each of them, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, of, from and against any and all action or actions, cause or causes of action, claims, demands, causes, suits, debts, liabilities, damages, losses, expenses, obligations or commitments of whatsoever nature or kind arising out of, from, as result of, or in any way connected with the Care and Maintenance Activities and the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister under this Agreement.
- 2.10 **Reporting Obligations**: In addition to the Milestone Payment Certificates required under section 3.2 of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic shall provide the Minister, concomitant with the submission of each Milestone Payment Certificate (or more frequently if requested by Minister), a written report in a format approved by the Minister setting forth:
 - i. planning and progress data, including Milestone Schedule considerations throughout the term of this Agreement;
 - ii. a description of work performed in the Milestone Period, including any significant achievements or developments;

- iii. summary of costs incurred in the applicable Milestone Period and in total for the Care and Maintenance Activities under this Agreement;
- iv. a work plan and spending estimate for the following Milestone Period;
- v. a copy of any correspondence with, or report issued to, the Department of Environment and Local Government;
- vi. any occurrences, omissions or developments that could have a material adverse effect on Bathurst Metallic or its interests in the development of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, and Halfmile Mine, or in the Care and Maintenance Activities; and
- vii. such additional information as the Minister may request.

3.0 OBLIGATIONS OF THE MINISTER

- 3.1 **Financial Assistance:** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Minister will provide the Milestone Payments to Bathurst Metallic in accordance with the Milestone Schedule attached hereto as Schedule "C".
- 3.2 Payment Certificates: When Bathurst Metallic believes it has achieved a Milestone, Bathurst Metallic shall submit the applicable Milestone Payment Certificate (in the form attached as Schedule "D") to the Minister. The Minister shall have fifteen (15) Business Days following receipt of a Milestone Payment Certificate to provide written notice (a "Milestone Deficiency Notice") to Bathurst Metallic detailing any matters that are required to be performed by Bathurst Metallic in order to achieve the applicable Milestone or satisfy any conditions of payment with respect thereto. In the event the Minister issues a Milestone Deficiency Notice, Bathurst Metallic shall proceed to rectify the deficiencies described therein. Following such rectification, Bathurst Metallic shall re-submit a Milestone Payment Certificate in respect of the applicable Milestone and this section 3.2 shall apply again, *mutatis mutandis*. In the event the Minister does not issue a Milestone Deficiency Notice, the Minister shall, subject to the provisions of this Agreement, make the applicable Milestone Payment to Bathurst Metallic on the Milestone Payment Date.
- 3.3 **Invoice:** Concomitant with the submission of each Milestone Payment Certificate, Bathurst Metallic will submit an invoice to Service New Brunswick for the applicable Milestone Payment (the "**Invoice**"). Invoices must be submitted in strict adherence to the requirements specified in Service New Brunswick's invoicing guidelines. Both parties agree that invoices shall be paid as soon as possible, once required conditions of payment have been verified, in accordance with Section 3.2.
- 3.4 **Conditions for Milestone Payments:** The obligation of the Minister to make any Milestone Payment hereunder is subject to the following conditions:
 - i. the Minister shall have received a Milestone Payment Certificate and Invoice within the time limit provided therefor;
 - ii. the Minister shall have undertaken the review contemplated by Section 3.2, the applicable time period shall have elapsed, and the Minister shall not have issued a Milestone Deficiency Notice;

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- iii. the Minister shall have received any information or documentation it may have requested from Bathurst Metallic in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and
- iv. Bathurst Metallic is not otherwise in default of any covenant or obligation contained in this Agreement, or under any other agreement which Bathurst Metallic may have entered into with or granted to the Minister, including the Limited Environmental Liability Agreements executed for Caribou Mine and Restigouche Mine.
- 3.5 Acknowledgements of Bathurst Metallic Milestone Payments: Bathurst Metallic acknowledges and agrees as follows with respect to the Milestone Payments:
 - i. the Minister will have no obligation to make a Milestone Payment:
 - (i) until this Agreement and each of the other documents and agreements required by the Minister in connection with this Agreement have been duly signed, sealed and delivered;
 - unless all work required to achieve the Milestone in respect of which Milestone Payment is sought has been totally completed;
 and
 - (iii) while Bathurst Metallic is in default under this agreement or under any other agreement which Bathurst Metallic may have entered into with or granted to the Minister, including the Limited Environmental Liability Agreements executed for Caribou Mine and Restigouche Mine.
 - ii. the Minister shall have no obligation to make any partial Milestone Payments:
 - iii. without limiting anything else herein contained, neither the failure of the Minister to issue any Milestone Deficiency Notice nor the making of any Milestone Payment by the Minister shall constitute a waiver of any condition precedent or be regarded as a representation or acknowledgement by or on behalf of the Minister that there has been or will be compliance by Bathurst Metallic with the terms and conditions of this Agreement or applicable law; and
 - iv. payment of any Milestone Payment is without prejudice to the rights of the Minister in connection with this Agreement.

4.0 ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS

4.1 **Care and Maintenance Account**: Bathurst Metallic shall establish and continue to maintain an account (the "Care and Maintenance Account") at a branch of a Schedule I Canadian chartered bank in Bathurst, New Brunswick, which shall be used solely to hold the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister, and to pay the costs of Care and Maintenance Activities, as provided in this Agreement.

4.2 Use of Funds: Bathurst Metallic covenants and agrees that the Financial Assistance, and all advances made by the Minister in respect thereof, shall be exclusively utilized by Bathurst Metallic for the explicit purpose of covering expenses directly associated with the Care and Maintenance Activities. Any diversion or application of said funds for purposes other than those delineated herein is strictly prohibited.

5.0 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 5.1 Bathurst Metallic represents and warrants to and covenants with the Minister that:
 - it is incorporated under the laws of New Brunswick, and is and throughout the term of this Agreement will remain a duly organized and validly existing corporation;
 - ii. it has, and will at all relevant times have, the power and capacity to enter into this Agreement and to observe, perform and comply with the terms of this Agreement;
 - iii. it has duly authorized this Agreement by all necessary corporate action and has legally and properly executed this Agreement, which constitutes a valid, subsisting and legally binding obligation upon it which is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and other laws of general application limiting the enforceability of creditors' rights, and to the fact that specific performance and injunctive relief are equitable remedies available only in the discretion of the court;
 - iv. it has no knowledge of any fact that materially adversely affects or, so far as it can foresee, might materially adversely affect its properties, assets, condition (financial or otherwise), business or operations or its ability to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement;
 - v. the observance and performance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement do not and will not constitute a breach by it of or a default by it under:
 - (i) to its knowledge, having made due and diligent inquiry, any law applicable to or binding upon it;
 - (ii) its articles, by-laws or other constating documents; or
 - (iii) any contract or agreement to which it is a party;
 - vi. it is not a party to and has no knowledge of any claim or proceeding against it that would materially affect its undertaking or financial condition or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement; and
 - vii. it holds, and will throughout the term of this Agreement hold and maintain in good standing, all permits, licences, consents and authorities issued by any federal, provincial, regional or municipal government, or an agency of any of them, and has given all notices, that are necessary in connection with its operations and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, including the Care and Maintenance Activities, and completion of the Milestones.

6.0 TERM AND TERMINATION

- 6.1 **Term**: The term of this Agreement commences on the Effective Date and will terminate upon the first to occur of:
 - i. termination by mutual written agreement of the Parties;
 - ii. complete performance and discharge of all obligations and responsibilities of the Parties under this Agreement; or
 - iii. termination pursuant to **Section 6.2**.
- 6.2 **Termination by Minister**: The Minister may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to Bathurst Metallic upon the occurrence any of the following events:
 - i. if Bathurst Metallic fails to perform or observe any covenant or obligation contained in this Agreement, including failure to complete the Milestones described in the Milestone Schedule by the prescribed dates, and does not cure such failure within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of notice of the failure from the Minister;
 - ii. if Bathurst Metallic fails to make payment when due of any undisputed amount owing to employees, consultants, lessors, licensors, service providers or other third parties in connection with the Care and Maintenance Activities;
 - iii. if Bathurst Metallic ceases or threatens to cease to carry on or to continue to carry on Care and Maintenance Activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, or Halfmile Mine;
 - iv. if any information, representation, warranty, certificate, statement or report given or made by or on behalf of Bathurst Metallic to the Minister or to any of its representatives in or in connection with this Agreement is false, erroneous or misleading in any material respect;
 - v. if Bathurst Metallic becomes insolvent or bankrupt or subject to the provisions of the *Winding-Up Act* (Canada) or the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) or equivalent legislation or goes into liquidation, either voluntarily or under an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors or otherwise acknowledges itself insolvent;
 - vi. if Bathurst Metallic abandons all or any part of its undertaking and property and assets or threatens to commit any act of bankruptcy;
 - vii. if the Minister, in good faith, believe that the ability of Bathurst Metallic to pay any of its obligations or to perform any of the covenants contained in this Agreement is impaired;
 - viii. if Bathurst Metallic shall permit any amount which has been admitted as due by it or is not disputed to be due by it and forms or is capable of being made a charge on any of the property and assets of Bathurst Metallic to remain unpaid for ten (10) days after the amounts are due; or

- ix. if any order for seizure or sale, execution, or any other process of any court becomes enforceable against Bathurst Metallic or if a distress or analogous process is levied on the property and assets of Bathurst Metallic.
- 6.3 **Obligations on Termination:** Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.1 or 6.2:
 - all costs incurred by Bathurst Metallic on and after the effective date of termination in respect of the Care and Maintenance Activities will be for the sole account of Bathurst Metallic;
 - ii. without limiting any other remedies the Minister may have, Bathurst Metallic shall refund to the Minister any unexpended funds provided by the Minister and remaining in the Care and Maintenance Account at the time of termination, except that such funds may be used to pay incurred amounts approved by the Minister and payable for goods and services received by Bathurst Metallic prior to the effective date of termination for which payment has not yet been made.
- 6.4 **Surrender of Mining Leases**: Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.2:
 - i. Bathurst Metallic will surrender the Mining Leases in accordance with the provisions of the *Mining Act*, SNB 1985, c M-14.1, as amended from time to time. Concomitant with the execution of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic will execute and deliver to the Minister an Irrevocable Power of Attorney appointing the Minister as Bathurst Metallic's Attorney with full authority to execute any and all documents required to surrender the Mining Leases in the event of termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.2. The Power of Attorney will be in a form satisfactory to the Minister's solicitor, and a determination of whether any of the events listed in section 6.2 have occurred will be in the sole discretion of the Minister and will be binding on Bathurst Metallic.

7.0 CONFIDENTIALITY

- 7.1 Confidence: Each Party (the "Recipient") will hold in confidence any Confidential Information, provided that the provisions of this Section 7.0 will not restrict any Party from passing such information to its professional advisors, provided such advisors are subject to similar confidentiality obligations, to the extent necessary, to enable it to perform (or to cause to be performed) or to enforce its rights or obligations under this Agreement, and provided further that the Recipient may, subject to obtaining confidentiality restrictions similar to those set out in this Agreement, provide to its contractors documents and other information which are necessary for the Recipient's performance of this Agreement.
- 7.2 The obligation to maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information does not apply to Confidential Information:
 - i. which the disclosing Party confirms in writing is not required to be treated as Confidential Information;

- ii. which is or comes into the public domain otherwise than through any disclosure prohibited by this Agreement;
- iii. to the extent either party is required to disclose such Confidential Information by Applicable Law, provided that such Party will take all reasonable steps to limit such disclosure and any subsequent disclosure of such Confidential Information.
- 7.3 **Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act**: Bathurst Metallic acknowledges that all information relating to this Agreement that is in the custody or control of the Minister is subject to the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (New Brunswick), under which the Minister may be required to disclose certain information.

8.0 UNCONTROLLABLE CIRCUMSTANCE

- 8.1 **Uncontrollable Circumstance**: Despite any other provision of this Agreement, if, because of an Uncontrollable Circumstance, either Party (the "Affected Party") is prevented from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement (the "Affected Obligations"), it will be relieved of the Affected Obligations to the extent, and for the duration, of the Uncontrollable Circumstance if the Affected Party:
 - i. within five (5) Business Days of becoming aware of the Uncontrollable Circumstance gives written notice to the other Party describing the Affected Obligations and nature and expected duration of the Uncontrollable Circumstance; and
 - ii. takes commercially reasonable steps to mitigate the consequences of the Uncontrollable Circumstance and continues to perform the Affected Obligations to the extent possible.
- 8.2 **Termination:** the Affected Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resume as soon as possible the performance of any obligation affected by an Uncontrollable Circumstance. The Minister may terminate the Agreement if the event of an Uncontrollable Circumstance is expected to exceed a period of thirty (30) days.

9.0 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 9.1 **Informal Dispute Resolution**: The Parties will attempt in good faith to resolve any Dispute relating to this Agreement informally. Upon the request of any Party, a Dispute will immediately be referred to the following representatives of the Parties for resolution by them:
 - i. the President of Bathurst Metallic Corp.
 - ii. The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development
- 9.2 **Arbitration**: If, for any reason, the Dispute has not been resolved as provided in Section 9.1 either Party may provide written notice to the other Party that the Dispute will be resolved by referral to a final and binding arbitration between the Parties pursuant to the *Arbitration Act* (New Brunswick). The arbitration will be conducted by a single arbitrator, the place of arbitration will be Fredericton, New Brunswick, and the language of the arbitration will be English. If the parties cannot agree upon the appointment of the single arbitrator within ten (10)

Business Days of receipt of the notice to arbitrate, either Party may apply to the Court of King's Bench of New Brunswick, to appoint same. The arbitration will be completed within forty-five (45) calendar days after the appointment of the arbitrator. The decision and any award of the arbitrator, including their decision as to the costs of the arbitration and who will bear same, will be final and binding on the Parties and there will be no appeal therefrom.

- 9.3 **Time:** The time limits referred to in this Section 9.0 may be abridged or extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.
- 9.4 **Without Prejudice Negotiations:** Any discussions and negotiations related to the attempted resolution of a Dispute pursuant to this Section 9.0 shall be confidential and treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for the purposes of evidentiary rules.
- 9.5 **Settlement Agreements**: No agreement achieved under this Section 9.0 will be binding on either Party unless set forth in a written agreement duly executed by both Parties.
- 9.6 **Care and Maintenance**: Notwithstanding any Dispute between the Parties, the Care and Maintenance Activities will continue and Bathurst Metallic will continue complying with its obligations under this Agreement until the dispute has been resolved or arbitrated.

10.0 MISCELLANEOUS

- 10.1 Publicity: Except as required by law or as permitted by this Section 0, neither Party shall make, or directly or indirectly authorize any of their respective employees or representatives to make, any public comment, statement or communication with respect to, or otherwise disclose or permit the disclosure of the existence of discussions regarding a possible transaction between the Parties or any of the terms, conditions or other aspects of this Agreement, in each case without the prior written approval of the other Party, with the exception that Bathurst Metallic may reveal the existence and contents of this Agreement to potential investors who have previously signed a non-disclosure agreement in favour of Bathurst Metallic and for the benefit of the Minister. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 10.1, the Minister may make a public announcement of the signing of this Agreement. The Minister, as the case may be, will make reasonable efforts to give Bathurst Metallic the opportunity to comment on the text of the announcement before publishing it. Except as permitted above, neither Party shall make this Agreement public except to the extent required by law, in which case the Parties shall cooperate reasonably to limit any such disclosure to the extent permitted by law.
- 10.2 Relationship of the Parties: The Parties hereby disclaim any intention to create by this Agreement any partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship between them. This Agreement shall not be construed or considered as creating any such partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship, or as constituting any Party as the agent or legal representative of the other Parties for any purpose nor to permit any Party to enter into agreements or incur any obligations for or on behalf of the other Parties.

- 10.3 **Appropriation**: No payment is to be made by the Minister under this Agreement in any fiscal year unless an appropriation against which the payment is to be charged is made in the same fiscal year.
- 10.4 **Regulatory Authority**: Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prohibit, restrict or affect the right or power of, or compel, the Legislative Assembly of *New Brunswick* to enact any laws or its cabinet to enact regulations and orders in council with respect to any area of law for which they have respective legislative jurisdiction. Furthermore, this Agreement does not operate as a permit, licence, approval or other statutory authority that Bathurst Metallic requires in order to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement to undertaken Care and Maintenance Activities of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as interfering with the exercise by the Minister, the Department of Environment and Local Government, the Province of New Brunswick or any of its agencies of any statutory power or duty.
- 10.5 Issue Management: Bathurst Metallic will immediately inform the Minister of any significant occurrences or situations arising with respect to the Care and Maintenance Activities, including significant accidents, incidents, environmental spills or contamination, failure to implement mitigation measures, failure of mitigation measures, or any occurrence or situation likely to generate significant public interest.
- 10.6 **Further Assurances**: Each of the Parties shall, from time to time, do all such acts and things and execute and deliver, from time to time, all such further documents and assurances as may be reasonably necessary to carry out and give effect to the terms of this Agreement.
- 10.7 Severability: Any provision of this Agreement which is or becomes prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or impair the remaining provisions of this Agreement which shall be deemed severable from the prohibited or unenforceable provision and any prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable that provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 10.8 Waiver: No condonation, forgiveness, waiver or forbearance by the Minister of any non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement will operate as a waiver or estoppel by or against the Minister in respect of any term or condition or any subsequent non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any term or condition of this Agreement.
- 10.9 **Survival**: All provisions of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature are intended to survive the termination (however caused) of this Agreement, including covenants, warranties, guarantees, releases and indemnities, continue as valid and enforceable rights and obligations (as the case may be) of the Parties, notwithstanding any such termination, until they are satisfied in full or by their nature expire.
- 10.10 **No Third-Party Beneficiaries:** Except as otherwise provided herein or permitted hereby, this Agreement is not made for the benefit of any person not a party to this Agreement, and no person other than the Parties or their respective successors and permitted assigns shall acquire or have any right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.

- 10.11 **Assignment**: Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, entitlements, duties or obligations arising from it may be assigned in whole or in part by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Parties.
- 10.12 **Notices**: Any notice given by a Party to another Party or the other Parties shall be in writing and (a) delivered personally, or (b) sent by facsimile or other similar means of electronic communication to the other Party or Parties at the following respective address:

If to the Province:

Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre 1350 Regent Street Fredericton, NB E3C 2G6

Attention: Jennifer Welles, Director of Resource Development Branch

Email: jennifer.welles@gnb.ca

If to Bathurst Metallic:

Bathurst Metallic Corp. 58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo, NB, E8K 3R8

Attention: Kevin Vienneau, Founder, President, and Director

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

Any such notice so given shall be deemed conclusively to have been given and received when so personally delivered or sent by facsimile or other electronic communication. A Party may from time to time change its address hereinbefore set forth by notice to the other Parties in accordance with this Section.

- 10.13 **Certain Rules of Interpretation**: In this Agreement, (i) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa (ii) headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement, (iii) unless otherwise indicated, references to a section or Schedule followed by a number or letter refer to the specified section or Schedule of this Agreement, (iv) the terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement taken as a whole and not to any particular Section or other portion of this Agreement, (v) the word "including" means "including without limitation", and (vi) amounts are in Canadian dollars.
- 10.14 **No Drafting Presumption**: The Parties acknowledge that their respective legal advisors have reviewed and participated in settling the terms of this Agreement and agree that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguity is to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not apply to the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 10.15 Entire Agreement/Amendment: This Agreement is the entire agreement between the Parties and this Agreement supersedes all prior communications, understandings, negotiations and agreements, whether oral or written, express or implied, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be modified, varied or amended except as agreed in writing signed by the Parties.

- 10.16 **Governing Law**: This Agreement is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of New Brunswick and the laws of Canada applicable therein, without regard to conflict of laws rules.
- 10.17 **Successors and Assigns**: This Agreement is binding upon and enures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 10.18 Counterparts and Electronic Delivery: This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one in the same instrument. Executed signature pages delivered by facsimile or electronic mail will be deemed for all purposes to be original counterparts of this Agreement.
- 10.19 **Lieutenant-Governor in Council Approval**: This Agreement will be effective only when it has been signed by all of the authorized signatories of the Parties and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved the Minister's execution and delivery of this Agreement (the "**Effective Date**").

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have each caused this Agreement to be duly executed.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK,

as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development

Hon. Mike Holland Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

Mr. Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President, Bathurst Metallic Corp.

☐ I have authority to bind the corporation.

AFFIDAVIT OF CORPORATE EXECUTION

Ι,	, of, in the County of
	, of, in the County of, MAKE OATH AND
SAY	AS FOLLOWS:
1.	That I am the of BATHURST METALLIC CORP (the "Corporation"), one of the Parties named in the foregoing instrument and as such have personal knowledge of the matters herein deposed to.
2.	That the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument purporting to be the seal of the corporation is the seal of the corporation and was so affixed by order of the Corporation's board of directors.
3.	That the signature "" subscribed to the foregoing instrument is the signature of, the of the Corporation and the signature "" subscribed thereto is my signature.
4.	That the and the are the officers of the Corporation duly authorized to execute the foregoing instrument.
in th	RN TO BEFORE ME at) County of,) Crovince of,) day of, 2024.
	y Public)) d for the Province of New Brunswick)

Schedule A

Assets and Claims of Bathurst Metallic Corp.

Bathurst Metallic Corp. holds one hundred percent (100%) right, title and interest in all agreements, licences, permits, approvals, consents, regulations, certificates and other authorizations in connection with the mining and milling operations related to the Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including:

Caribou Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-246;
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060027);
- 3. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032;
- 4. All mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. including Mining Claims 334950 to 334969, 334972 to 334977, 334980 to 34986, also known as mineral claim 1773 (Woodside Brook) representing some thirty-three (33) mining claims;
- 5. All agreements, licenses, permits, approvals, consents, registrations, certificates and other authorizations issued or held by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. in connection with the milling operations currently or formerly carried out at or relating to the mining lease, leasehold and real property listed above in 1 through 4 above, to the extent assignable.

Restigouche Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-255 (or any replacement mining lease thereof);
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158) (or any replacement surface lease/crown lands lease thereof).

Halfmile Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-261;
- 2. Crown Lands Lease #415060072;
- 3. all New Brunswick mineral claims that were owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. including:
 - o 1522 (Heath East)
 - o 1681 (Halfmile Lake Central)
 - o 3886 (Murray Brook)
 - o 4341 (California Lake)
 - 4525 (Restigouche South)
 - 6049 (Stratmat)
 - o 8160 (Mount Fronsac North)

Schedule B

Care and Maintenance Activities

In accordance with section 2.2 Bathurst Metallic will be solely responsible for and will proceed diligently and continuously with the care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including, but not limited to the following activities:

- Maintain all program(s) for environmental protection, including water management, water treatment and all environmental monitoring and reporting, as set out in the Approval to Operate for each mine and as otherwise required by Applicable Law.
- Ensure site security is maintained at all times.
- Ensure access to each site is maintained to the degree required to conduct care and maintenance activities, including maintenance of roads.
- Continue to maintain the underground pumping of Caribou Mine in a dewatered state, with water elevations not exceeding bypass to north limb between 1860-4E and 1960-1E.
- Conduct all other activities required to maintain compliance with Applicable Law.

Schedule C

Milestone Schedule

The disbursement of Milestone Payments to Bathurst Metallic is contingent upon the successful completion of each designated Milestone and fulfillment of the specified payment conditions outlined in the Agreement. Milestone Payments will be processed on the applicable Milestone Payment Date, subject to the satisfactory completion of the applicable Milestones as stipulated below:

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(1) Asset purchase	□ Bathurst Metallic takes possession of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, and Halfmile Mine.	n/a
complete	All Mine leases, Crown Land Leases, Approvals to Operate, and Petroleum Storage Tank licences are transferred to Bathurst Metallic, and other regulatory bodies are informed of the change in responsibility for these sites. This includes, but may not be limited to WorkSafe NB, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission.	
(2) Plan for sludge management	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities from Handover Date to September 30, 2024.	\$1,270,436
upgrades, design contract for South Tributary Tailings Pond ("STTP") upgrades and	□ Plan to upgrade the sludge management system at the Caribou Mine, proof that all required environmental approvals have been received for this work, and a binding contract established with an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick and qualified for this work, submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	
efficiency improvements for the Caribou water treatment plant	□ Proof of signed contract for design of the Caribou Mine STTP upgrades, including the main dam raise, the South dam, and associated work, submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	
("WTP")	□ Performance of the current WTP at the Caribou mine reviewed and steps identified to maximize its efficiency and ensure reliability until a new WTP is commissioned. Steps include all required permits / approvals and are documented in a refurbishment plan submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(3) Sludge	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to December 31, 2024.	\$1,270,436
management upgrades and WTP refurbishment work complete,	□ Proof of 100% completion of sludge management upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before December 31, 2024.	
STTP upgrade preparations	☐ Proof of completed implementation of the refurbishment plan for the current WTP at the Caribou mine, submitted on or before December 31, 2024.	
progress, and planning for WTP upgrades begins	☐ Design package for STTP upgrades, including the STTP dam and the South dam, completed and submitted to DNRED, on or before December 31, 2024.	
upgrades begins	□ South Dam engineering design and any modifications to the previously approved main dam design submitted to DNRED and ELG for approval, on or before December 31, 2024.	
	□ Proof of binding contract with an engineering consultant or design/build company for WTP upgrades, submitted on or before December 31, 2024. Required dates in the contract align with the Milestones in this agreement.	
(4) Tender issued for	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to March 31, 2025	\$1,270,436
STTP upgrades, and WTP design finalized	□ Proof of construction tender issued for STTP upgrades, and copy of Tender Package submitted to DNRED, on or before March 31, 2025.	
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Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(5) Construction	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to June 30, 2025.	\$1,270,436
progresses for STTP upgrades, and construction contract issued for	□ Proof of 10% completion of planned construction schedule for STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before June 30, 2025.	
WTP upgrades	□ Proof of binding contract established with a design/build company or contractor, which aligns with the construction schedule set out in these milestones, for construction of the WTP upgrades, submitted on or before June 30, 2025.	
(6) Construction	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to September 30, 2025.	\$1,270,436
progresses for STTP upgrades, and construction begins for WTP	□ Proof of 75% completion of planned construction schedule for STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before September 30, 2025.	
	□ Proof of construction commencement for WTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before September 30, 2025.	
(7) STTP upgrades	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to December 31, 2025	\$1,270,435
complete and WTP construction progresses	□ Proof of 100% completion of STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before December 31, 2025.	
	□ Proof of 70% completion of planned construction schedule for WTP upgrades, submitted on or before December 31, 2025, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick with the intention to complete and commission the WTP in accordance with the milestones established in this agreement.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(8) WTP construction complete	□ Proof of 100% completion of WTP upgrades in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before March 31, 2026.	\$1.00

Schedule D MILESTONE PAYMENT CERTIFICATE

To: His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick, as represented by

the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")

RE: Funding Agreement dated •, 2024 between the Minister and Bathurst Metallic Corp.

(the "Bathurst Metallic") as amended or updated from time to time (the "

Agreement").

MILESTONE: Milestone number ● (the "Milestone") as identified in Schedule "C" to the Funding

Agreement (the "Milestone Payment")

This certificate is delivered pursuant to Section 3.2 of the Agreement.

The undersigned hereby requests payment of the Milestone Payment to which this certificate relates and, in respect thereof, certifies as follows:

- 1. I am the President and am authorized to deliver this certificate for and on behalf of Bathurst Metallic;
- 2. the work required to be completed as part of the Milestone to which this certificate relates is complete;
- 3. all such work is in strict compliance with applicable industry standards and all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, by-laws, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations and directives.
- 4. there are no outstanding Milestone Deficiency Notices in respect of or relating to the current or any previous Milestone Payment;
- 5. all conditions to the making of the Milestone Payment to which this certificate relates as set out in the Agreement have been satisfied;
- 6. all contractors, subcontractors, and service providers who have supplied work, labour, equipment, materials, goods, services or supplies in connection with the work have been paid in full and there are no claims relating thereto; and
- 7. no default under this Agreement with respect to Bathurst Metallic has occurred and is continuing and no such default would result from the making of such Milestone Payment.

DATED this ● day of ●, 20●

Mr. Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President, Bathurst Metallic Corp.

APPENDIX D

TREVALI MINING CORPORATION

AND

TREVALI MINING (MARITIMES) LTD.

AND

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC.

solely in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of certain property and assets of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. and

AND

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development

SETTLEMENT AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

DATED AS OF , 2024

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SETTLEMENT AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

THIS AGRE	EEMENT dated for reference the	day of	, 2024
BETWEEN	l:		
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AND:			
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AND:			
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WHEREAS:

- A. On August 19, 2022, the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") made an order, as amended and restated on August 29, 2022 (as amended and restated and as may be further amended from time to time, the "CCAA Order") appointing FTI as the monitor (FTI in such capacity, the "Monitor") of TMC and TNB under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") (the proceedings associated with the CCAA Order are referred to herein as the "CCAA Proceedings");
- B. On January 9, 2023, the Court made an order (as amended from time to time, the "Receivership Order") appointing FTI as the Receiver, without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by TNB, pursuant to section 243(1) of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c B-3, as amended (the "BIA") (the proceedings associated with the Receivership Order are referred to herein as the "Receivership Proceedings"), which took effect January 25, 2023;
- C. TMC is the sole, direct shareholder of TMM;
- D. On November 6, 2023, the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC, entered into a term sheet (the "**Term Sheet**") with Eagle Pass Mining Corp. ("**Eagle Pass**"), specifying that, among other things,

Eagle Pass would (a) purchase all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB (other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases and real property leases owned or held by TNB) pursuant to the offer process conducted by the Receiver; (b) the Monitor would facilitate the sale or transfer of TNB's real property, mineral claims, mining leases and real property leases capable of transfer by which Eagle Pass would acquire the ownership of such interests with the consent or approval of the Province of New Brunswick and DNRED; and (c) purchase all of the assets, undertakings and property of TMM pursuant to a Court approved process facilitated by the Monitor;

- E. On January 30, 2024, at the request of Eagle Pass, the Receiver and Monitor, on behalf of TMC, agreed to amend the Term Sheet by assigning it to Bathurst Metallic Corp. ("Bathurst");
- F. On April 27, 2024, the Receiver and Bathurst entered into an asset purchase agreement (the "**TNB APA**") specifying that Bathurst would purchase all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, subject to any excluded assets identified therein (such purchased assets being the "**TNB Assets**"), subject to and upon the terms and conditions set forth therein, including but not limited to Court approval;
- G. The Monitor, on behalf of TMC, and Bathurst have agreed in principle to enter into an asset purchase agreement (the "TMM APA", and collectively with the TNB APA, the "APAs") pursuant to which Bathurst will purchase all of the assets, undertakings and property of TMM, subject to any excluded assets identified therein (such purchased assets being the "TMM Assets"), subject to and upon the terms and conditions set forth therein, including but not limited to Court approval, the execution of the TMM APA being subject to Court authorization;
- H. In accordance with the APAs, the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, as applicable, will seek the Approval and Vesting Orders (as defined herein) from the Court, to, among other things, (i) approve the transactions set out in the APAs; (ii) expand the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order to facilitate the completion of the transactions set out in the TNB APA; and (iii) add TMM as petitioner to the CCAA Proceedings to facilitate the completion of the transactions set out in the TMM APA and authorize and direct the Monitor, on behalf of TMM, to execute the TMM APA as monitor with enhanced powers in the CCAA Proceedings; and
- I. His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick ("GNB"), as represented by DNRED, has agreed to support the granting of the Approval and Vesting Orders and settle claims against all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB and TMM, subject to payment of the Settlement Amount (as defined herein), and the Receiver and Monitor, on behalf of TMC, as applicable, have agreed that payment of the Settlement Amount is appropriate and in the interests of all stakeholders of TMC, TMM and TNB.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the respective covenants, agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities herein contained, and of the mutual benefits to be derived hereby (the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged), the Parties covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:

"Agreement" means this Settlement and Support Agreement, including Exhibit A attached hereto and any amendments hereto and thereto.

"Approval and Vesting Orders" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.1.1(b).

"Assets" means, together, the TNB Assets and the TMM Assets.

"Bankruptcy and Insolvency Laws" means the BIA, the CCAA, the *Law and Equity Act,* R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 253, and *Judicature Act,* R.S.N.B. 1973, c. J-2, and the other applicable insolvency Laws of any jurisdiction where Insolvency Proceedings are instituted.

"BIA" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Business" means collectively:

- (a) TNB's business of operating and maintaining the Caribou Mine and the Restigouche Mine, in addition to other zinc and mineral mines, the exploration for zinc and other minerals, the development and exploitation of mining properties, water and environmental remediation activities and all activities incidental thereto; and
- (b) TMM's business of operating and maintaining the Halfmile Mine and its interests in connection with Ruttan, in addition to other zinc and mineral mines, the exploration for zinc and other minerals, the development and exploitation of mining properties, water and environmental remediation activities and all activities incidental thereto.

"Business Day" means a day on which the banks are open for business (Saturdays, Sundays, statutory and civic holidays excluded) in Vancouver, British Columbia, and Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada.

"Caribou Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located approximately 50 kilometers west of Bathurst in Restigouche County in the Province of New Brunswick, lying within NTS map sheet 210/09 commonly known as the Caribou Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Caribou Zinc mine site, or otherwise owned by TNB in connection with the mine.

"CCAA" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Order" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Proceedings" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Court" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"DELG" means New Brunswick's Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

"DNRED" means New Brunswick's Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development.

"Environmental Law" means any applicable Law relating to contamination, pollution or protection of the environment (including ambient air, surface water, ground water, subsurface or subsurface strata), mining, minerals, plant life, animal and fish or other natural resources or human health, including without limitation, Laws relating to the exposure to, or releases or threatened releases of, hazardous materials or otherwise relating to the manufacture, presence, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, release, transport, disposal, transfer, discharge, control, recycling, production, generation or handling of hazardous materials and all Laws with regard to monitoring, recordkeeping, notification, disclosure and reporting requirements respecting hazardous materials, each as amended and as now in effect.

"FTI" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"GNB" means His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick, Canada.

"Government Entity" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, state, municipal or local governmental authority, quasi-governmental authority, instrumentality, court, government or self-regulatory organization, bureau, commission, tribunal or organization or any regulatory, administrative or other agency, or any political or other subdivision, department or branch of any of the foregoing having jurisdiction with respect to TMM, the Assets, the Business or any other matter that is the subject of this Agreement, including without limitation, DNRED, DELG, and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency.

"Gross Proceeds" means any proceeds, in its broadest sense, realized from completion of the APAs, provided such proceeds are not less than \$7,500,000.00.

"Halfmile Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, Canada, commonly known as the Halfmile Mine and advanced exploration stage Stratmat project and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Halfmile Mine site, or otherwise owned by TMM in connection with the mine.

"Insolvency Proceedings" means the CCAA Proceedings and/or the Receivership Proceedings, and any other proceedings thereunder, as well as any other voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy, insolvency, administration or similar judicial proceedings concerning TNB, TMC or TMM that are instituted from time to time.

"Law" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, local, regional or municipal statute, law, common law, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, writ, injunction, directive, judgment, decree or policy or guideline having the force of law.

"Mines" means, collectively, the Caribou Mine, the Restigouche Mine, and the Halfmile Mine.

"Monitor" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Order" means any order, injunction, judgment, decree, ruling, writ, assessment or arbitration award of the Court or other court or of a Government Entity.

"Party" or "Parties" means individually or together, as the case may be, the Receiver, TMC, TMM and GNB (as represented by DNRED) and includes, if applicable, any successor or permitted assignee of any of them.

"Permits and Licences" means collectively, the "Permits and Licenses" as defined in each of the TNB APA and the TMM APA.

"**Person**" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, an association, a limited or unlimited liability company, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization or other legal entity or government entity.

"Real Property Assets" has the meaning given to it in the TNB APA.

"Receiver" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Receivership Order" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Proceedings" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Process Assets" has the meaning given to it in the TNB APA.

"Restigouche Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located approximately 20 kilometres west-southwest of the Caribou Mine in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, lying within NTS map sheet 21O/10 commonly known as the Restigouche Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Restigouche Zinc mine site, or otherwise owned by TNB in connection with the mine.

"Ruttan" means the copper-zinc massive sulphide deposit located approximately 21 kilometres east of the village of Leaf Rapids, Manitoba.

"Settlement Amount" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.1 hereof.

"Settlement Approval Order" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.1.1(c) hereof.

"TMC" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"TMM" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"TNB" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 INTERPRETATION

2.1 Gender and Number

Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders and words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa.

2.2 Certain Phrases

In this Agreement (i) the words "including" and "includes" mean "including (or includes) without limitation" and will not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it; (ii) the terms "hereof", "herein", "hereunder" and "herewith" and words of similar import will, unless otherwise stated, be construed to refer to this Agreement and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and Article, Section, paragraph, Exhibit and Schedule references are to the Articles, Sections, paragraphs, Exhibits and Schedules to this Agreement unless otherwise specified; and (iii) in the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, unless otherwise expressly stated, the word "from" means "from and including" and the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding". If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.3 Calculation of Time

When calculating the period of time "within" which, "prior to" or "following" which any act or event is required or permitted to be done, notice given or steps taken, the date which is the reference date in calculating such period is excluded from the calculation. If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.4 Headings

The inclusion of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles and Sections and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and are not to affect or be used in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section" are to the corresponding Section of this Agreement unless otherwise specified.

2.5 Currency

All monetary amounts in this Agreement, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are stated in Canadian currency. All calculations and estimates to be performed or undertaken, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are to be expressed in Canadian currency. All payments required under this Agreement will be paid in Canadian currency in immediately available funds, unless otherwise specifically indicated herein. Where another currency is to be converted into Canadian currency it will be converted on the basis of the average exchange rate published by the Bank of Canada for the day in question.

2.6 Statutory References

Unless otherwise specifically indicated, any reference to a statute in this Agreement refers to that statute and to the regulations made under that statute as in force from time to time.

2.7 Exhibits

- 2.7.1 Exhibit A (Form of Settlement Approval Order) annexed hereto or referred to herein is hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set in full herein. For greater certainty, Exhibits B and C (APAs) do not form a part of this Agreement but included for reference.
- 2.7.2 Any capitalized terms used in any Exhibit but not otherwise defined therein will be defined as set forth in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF DNRED

3.1 Authorization

DNRED hereby represents and warrants to each of TMC, TMM and the Receiver, as follows:

- 3.1.1 This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by DNRED and is in full force and effect. Assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, this Agreement constitutes, or upon execution thereof will constitute, a valid and binding obligation of DNRED, enforceable against GNB and DNRED in accordance with its respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of public policy. This Agreement will be effective only when it has been signed by all of the authorized signatories of the Parties and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved DNRED's execution and delivery of this Agreement.
- 3.1.2 To the best of DNRED's knowledge, the authorization, execution, and delivery and performance of this Agreement by the Parties will not violate any applicable law or any order, declaration, or judgment binding on the Parties, or any consent, license, permit, or approval of the Parties, or any agreement to which the Parties are a party.

ARTICLE 4

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE RECEIVER AND TMC

4.1 Representations and Warranties of the Receiver and TMC

- 4.1.1 The Receiver hereby represents and warrants to DNRED as follows:
- (a) the Receiver has been appointed as the Receiver of the Receivership Process Assets pursuant to the Receivership Order, and such order is in full force and effect as of the date hereof.
- 4.1.2 TMC hereby represents and warrants to DNRED as follows:
- (a) the Monitor has been appointed as the Monitor of TMC pursuant to the ARIO, and such order is in full force and effect as of the date hereof.

4.2 No Other Representations and Warranties

Except for the representations and warranties of the Receiver and TMC contained in this Article 4, neither the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, TMM, their agents and their representatives, nor any other Person has made or makes any other express or implied representation or warranty, either written or oral, on behalf of the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC or TMM whether in respect of the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, or otherwise, including any representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TNB, TMC or TMM furnished or made available to DNRED and its representatives, or any representation or warranty arising from statute or otherwise at Law.

ARTICLE 5 CCAA PROCEEDINGS

5.1 Court Approval

- 5.1.1 The Parties acknowledges that this Agreement and the transactions contemplated in the APAs are subject to the Court granting one or more orders in the Receivership Proceedings and the CCAA Proceedings, including but not limited to:
- (a) an Order of the Court in the Receivership Proceedings containing, among other things, orders: approving the TNB APA; expanding the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order to include the Real Property Assets; authorizing and directing the Receiver to perform its obligations under the TNB APA and, subject to the payment under the TNB APA, providing for the vesting in Bathurst all of the right, title and interest, if any, of TNB in and to the TNB Assets, free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances; and authorizing and directing the Receiver to execute such deeds, bills of sale and other instruments of sale and transfers as the Receiver may deem necessary or desirable in order to transfer to Bathurst all of TNB's interest in and to the TNB Assets (the "TNB Approval and Vesting Order");
- (b) an Order of the Court in the CCAA Proceedings containing, among other things, orders: approving the TMM APA, adding TMM as a petitioner to the CCAA Proceedings, and authorizing the Monitor, on behalf of TMM, to execute the TMM APA and any related or ancillary documents and agreements on behalf of TMM, and, subject to the payment under the TMM APA, providing for the vesting in Bathurst all of the right, title and interest, if any, of TMM in and to the TMM Assets, free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances; and authorizing and directing TMM to execute such deeds, bills of sale and other instruments of sale and transfers as TMM may deem necessary or desirable in order to transfer to Bathurst all of TMM's interest in and to the TMM Assets (the "TMM Approval and Vesting Order", and collectively with the TNB Approval and Vesting Order, the "Approval and Vesting Orders"); and
- (c) an Order of the Court in the Receivership Proceedings and the CCAA Proceedings, as applicable, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A, approving this Agreement and authorizing the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of each of TMC and TMM, to execute this Agreement and any related or ancillary documents and agreements on behalf of TMC, TMM and TNB; authorizing and directing the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, as applicable, to execute such other documents as the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, as applicable, may deem necessary or desirable in order to give effect to this Agreement; and authorizing and directing the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, as applicable, to pay DNRED the Settlement Amount (the "Settlement Approval Order").
- 5.1.2 The Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, as applicable, with the support of DNRED, will use their commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the Settlement Approval Order.

5.2 Court Materials

- 5.2.1 The Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC, as applicable, shall deliver to DNRED draft copies of all court materials, forms of orders, notices of application, legal briefs, facta and other documents to be served or to be filed in connection with this Agreement (collectively, the "Court Materials").
- 5.2.2 The Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC, as applicable, shall deliver draft copies of all Court Materials to DNRED no later than 3 Business Days prior to service or filing of such materials, or as soon as reasonably practicable in the circumstances, and shall provide DNRED with a reasonable opportunity to comment thereon.

5.3 Cooperation

- 5.3.1 DNRED shall consent to and support the applications by the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC, as applicable, seeking approval of the Approval and Vesting Orders and Settlement Approval Order along with any ancillary relief related thereto.
- 5.3.2 TMC, TMM and the Receiver shall consent to the payment of the Settlement Amount as set out in Section 7.1 hereof, and will not contest or challenge the validity of same.

5.4 Expenses

Each of the Parties hereby covenants and agrees to bear its own costs and expense (including, without limitation, legal fees and expenses) incurred in connection with this Agreement, including but not limited to obtaining the Approval and Vesting Orders and Settlement Approval Order.

5.5 Termination

Notwithstanding any other term or condition of this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate if the Approval and Vesting Orders and Settlement Approval Order are not approved by the Court in substantially the forms attached to the APAs or hereto, as applicable.

ARTICLE 6 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

This Agreement shall be subject to the satisfaction of each of the following conditions precedent:

- 6.1.1 The execution of this Agreement by each of the Parties.
- 6.1.2 The Settlement Approval Order shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Receiver, the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, and DNRED.
- 6.1.3 The Settlement Approval Order shall have been entered and be in full force and effect and shall not have been reversed, vacated, or stayed, subject to appeal or modified or superseded or negatively impacted in any way,

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- 6.1.4 The Approval and Vesting Orders shall have been entered and be in full force and effect and shall not have been reversed, vacated, or stayed, subject to appeal or modified or superseded or negatively impacted in any way, and
- 6.1.5 DNRED shall provide all necessary consents and approvals to the APAs and to effect the transactions set out in the APAs, to the satisfaction of Bathurst, the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMM.

ARTICLE 7

PAYMENT AND RELEASE

7.1 Payment of Settlement Amount

- 7.1.1 Provided the Gross Proceeds are not less than \$7,500,000.00, upon closing of the APAs, the Receiver and TMM shall pay \$4,750,000 to DNRED as follows:
- (a) \$4,000,000 from the sale proceeds from the transactions contemplated by the TNB APA; and
- (b) \$750,000 from the sale proceeds from the transactions contemplated by the TMM APA all without deduction, set off, or withholding (collectively the "**Settlement Amount**").

7.2 Waiver and Release

- 7.2.1 Subject to the granting of the Settlement Approval Order, GNB hereby formally and irrevocably waives and releases all rights or claims to the Gross Proceeds in excess of the Settlement Amount. For greater certainty, following the completion of the transactions contemplated in the APAs and receipt of the Settlement Amount, the waiver acts solely to prevent GNB from asserting any right or claim to proceeds of the transactions contemplated in the APAs in excess of the Settlement Amount, and GNB does not otherwise waive or release any other right or claim in relation to TMC, TMM and TNB.
- 7.2.2 DNRED acknowledges and agrees that the payment of the Settlement Amount will constitute any and all proceeds to be received by GNB as a result of the transactions contemplated by the APAs.
- 7.2.3 The Parties hereto acknowledge and agree that, aside from the waivers and releases set forth above, GNB and TMC continue to have all other rights and claims that exist as of the date of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8 GENERAL PROVISIONS

8.1 Recitals

The Parties acknowledge and agree that the recitals to this Agreement are incorporated into and form an integral part of this Agreement.

8.2 Further Assurances

The Parties shall execute and deliver such supplemental documents and take such supplemental action as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to the provisions and purposes of this Agreement and the APAs and to obtain the Approval and Vesting Orders and the Settlement Approval Order.

8.3 No Presumption

The Parties agree that this Agreement was negotiated fairly between them at arm's length and that the final terms of this Agreement are the product of the Parties' negotiations. Each Party represents and warrants that it has sought and received experienced legal counsel of its own choosing with regard to the contents of this Agreement and the rights and obligations affected hereby. The Parties agree that this Agreement will be deemed to have been jointly and equally drafted by them, and that the provisions of this Agreement therefore should not be construed either for or against a Party on the grounds that such Party drafted or was more responsible for drafting the provisions.

8.4 Binding Effect

This Agreement shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of each of the Parties and their respective successors, heirs, executors, administrators, permitted assigns and legal representatives.

8.5 Amendments, Waivers, etc.

No amendment or waiver of any provisions of this Agreement or consent to any departure by the Parties from any provision hereof is effective unless it is made or given in writing. Such amendment, waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which it is given.

8.6 Time of the Essence

Time is of the essence of this Agreement.

8.7 Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction

- 8.7.1 Any questions, claims, disputes, remedies or Actions arising from or related to this Agreement, and any relief or remedies sought by any Parties, will be governed exclusively by the Laws of the Province of British Columbia with respect to contract formation, the interpretation of this Agreement and the Orders of the Court giving effect thereto, and by Environmental Law with respect to all else, without regard to the rules of conflict of laws applied therein or any other jurisdiction.
- 8.7.2 To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, each Party (i) agrees that any claim, action or proceeding by such Party seeking any relief whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement will be brought only in the Court, if brought prior to the entry of a final order closing the Receivership Proceedings and the CCAA Proceedings, as applicable; (ii) agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court, for purposes of all legal proceedings arising out of, or in connection with, the formation and interpretation of this Agreement or the transactions and Orders contemplated hereby; (iii) agrees that emailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in Section 10.8 or any other manner as may be permitted by Law will be valid and sufficient service thereof; and (iv) agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding will be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable law.

8.7.3 Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prohibit, restrict or affect the right or power of, or compel, the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick to enact any laws or its cabinet to enact regulations and orders in council with respect to any area of law for which they have respective legislative jurisdiction. Furthermore, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as interfering with the exercise by DNRED, DELG, the Province of New Brunswick, or any of its agencies of any statutory power or duty

8.8 Notification of Certain Matters

Each Party hereto will give written notice to all other Parties promptly after becoming aware of: (a) the occurrence of any event, which would be likely to cause any condition set forth in Article 7 to be unsatisfied in any material respect at any time from the date hereof until closing of the APAs; or (b) any notice or other communication from: (i) any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; or (ii) any Government Entity other than DNRED in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 10.8 will not limit or otherwise affect the remedies available hereunder to the Parties.

8.9 Severability

If any provision, clause, or part of this Agreement, or the application thereof under certain circumstances, is held invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in any jurisdiction, (i) as to such jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such provision, clause or part under other circumstances; and (ii) as for any other jurisdiction, any provision of this Agreement, will not be affected and will remain in full force and effect, unless, in each case, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability in such jurisdiction materially impairs the ability of the Parties to give effect to this Agreement. Upon such determination that any clause or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in such jurisdiction, the Parties will negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in a mutually acceptable manner in order to give effect to that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible even in such jurisdiction.

8.10 Notices

Any notice, request or other communication hereunder to any of the parties shall be in writing and be well and sufficiently given if delivered as follows:

In the case of the Receiver, TMM or TMC:

FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Suite 1450 – 701 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC, V7Y 1B6

Attention: Tom Powell and Craig Munro

Email: Tom.Powell@fticonsulting.com; Craig.Munro@fticonsulting.com

With a copy to:

Dentons Canada LLP 250 Howe Street, Suite 2000 Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 3R8 Attention: John Sandrelli and Valerie Cross Email: john.sandrelli@dentons.com valerie.cross@dentons.com

In the case of DNRED:

Province of New Brunswick
Legal Services/Services juridiques
Office of the Attorney General/Cabinet du procureur général
Department of Justice and Public Safety/Ministère de la Justice et de la Sécurité publique
Attention: Michael Briggs
Email: Michael.Briggs@gnb.ca

with a copy to:

Farris LLP

PO Box 10026, Pacific Centre South 25th Floor, 700 W Georgia Street Vancouver, British Columbia V7Y 1B3 Attention: Tevia Jeffries

Email: tjeffries@farris.com

with a copy to:

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.

250 Howe Street, Suite 1400 Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 3S7

Attention: Michelle Grant

Email: michelle.grant@pwc.com

8.11 Execution in Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and which taken together will be deemed to constitute one and the same instrument. Counterparts may be executed either in original, or portable document format ("**PDF**") form and the Parties adopt any signatures received by emailed PDF as original signatures of the Parties.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC., solely in its capacity as the court-appointed receiver of TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD., and not in any other capacity

Ву:	
	Name:
	Title:
	TREVALI MINING CORPORATION, by FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC., solely in its capacity as court-appointed monitor and not in any other capacity
Ву:	
	Name:
	Title:
	TREVALI MINING (MARITIMES) LTD., by FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC., solely in its capacity as court-appointed monitor and not in any other capacity
Ву:	
	Name:
	Title:
	HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, AS REPRESENTED BY THE MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT
Ву:	
	Name:
	Title:

EXHIBIT A FORM OF SETTLEMENT APPROVAL ORDER

[see attached]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, C. 57, AS AMENDED AND THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.N.B. 1981, C. B-9.1, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (SETTLEMENT AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT APPROVAL ORDER)

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BEFORE) THE HONOURABLE MADAM)	[DD]/[MMM]/2024
) JUSTICE FITZPATRICK)	
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ON THE APPLICATION of FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacities as (i) court-appointed receiver (in such capacity, the "Receiver") of certain assets, undertakings and properties of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("TNB") and (ii) court-appointed monitor (in such capacity, the "Monitor") of Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC"), coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the [-] day of [MONTH], 2024; AND ON HEARING John Sandrelli, counsel for the Receiver and the Monitor, and those other counsel listed on Schedule "A" hereto; AND UPON READING the material filed, including the [Third] Report of the Receiver dated [-], 2024 (the "Receiver's Report") and the [Seventeenth] Report of the Monitor dated [-], 2024 (the "Monitor's Report"); AND pursuant to the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3 as amended, the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36 as amended, the British

Columbia Supreme Court Civil Rules, and the inherent jurisdiction of this Honourable Court;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that:

Settlement and Support Agreement Approval

- 1. The Settlement and Support Agreement dated _______, 2024 (the "Settlement Agreement") between TMC, Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. ("TMM"), the Receiver, His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development ("DNRED"), a copy of which is attached as Appendix "B" to the Receiver's Report, is hereby approved in its entirety.
- 2. The execution of the Settlement Agreement by the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC, is hereby authorized and approved.
- 3. The Monitor, on behalf of TMM, is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the Settlement Agreement.
- 4. The Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, are hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for the implementation of the Settlement Agreement.
- 5. This Order shall constitute the only authorization required by the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMC and TMM, to proceed with implementing the Settlement Agreement, and no shareholder or other approval shall be required in connection therewith, save for those authorizations contemplated in the Settlement Agreement.
- 6. Subject to the terms of the Settlement Agreement and receipt of the Gross Proceeds (as defined in the Settlement Agreement), the Receiver and the Monitor, on behalf of TMM, as applicable, are authorized and directed to pay \$4,750,000.00 to DNRED.

<u>General</u>

7. THIS COURT REQUESTS the aid and recognition of other Canadian and foreign Courts, tribunal, regulatory or administrative bodies, including any Court or administrative tribunal of any federal or State Court or administrative body in the United States of America, Burkina Faso, Namibia and South Africa to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Order where required. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to TNB, TMC and TMM, and the Receiver and the Monitor, both as officers of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to

this Order, to grant representative status to the Receiver and the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist TNB, TMC and TMM, and the Receiver and the Monitor, and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

- 8. The Receiver, the Monitor or any other party have liberty to apply for such further or other directions or relief as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order.
- 9. Endorsement of this Order by counsel appearing on this application other than counsel for the Receiver and the Monitor is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY CONSENT:

Signature of John Sandrelli Lawyer for the Receiver and the Monitor	_	
	By the Court.	
	Registrar	

SCHEDULE "A"

LIST OF COUNSEL

Counsel Name	Party Represented
John Sandrelli	FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacities as (i) court-appointed receiver of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. and (ii) court-appointed monitor of Trevali Mining Corporation

EXHIBIT B TNB APA

[see attached]

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC.

solely in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of certain property and assets of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd.

AND

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

DATED AS OF APRIL 27, 2024

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT dated for reference the 27 day of April, 2024

BETWEEN:

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC. ("**FTI**"), a corporation having an address at Suite 1450 – 701 West Georgia Street, PO Box 10089, Vancouver, British Columbia, V7Y 1B6, solely in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of certain property and assets of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("**TNB**"), including all proceeds thereof

(the "Vendor")

AND:

BATHURST METALLIC CORP., a New Brunswick corporation, having an address located at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, New Brunswick, E8K 3R8

(the "Purchaser")

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 19, 2022, the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") made an order, as amended and restated on August 29, 2022 (as amended and restated and as may be further amended from time to time, the "CCAA Order") appointing FTI as the monitor (FTI in such capacity, the "Monitor") of Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC") and TNB under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") (the proceedings associated with the CCAA Order are referred to herein as the "CCAA Proceedings");
- B. On January 9, 2023, the Court made an order (as amended from time to time, the "Receivership Order") appointing FTI as the receiver (FTI in such capacity, the "Receiver"), without security, of all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases or real property leases owned or held by TNB, pursuant to section 243(1) of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c B-3, as amended (the "BIA") (the proceedings associated with the Receivership Order are referred to herein as the "Receivership Proceedings"), which took effect January 25, 2023;
- C. On November 6, 2023, the Receiver and the Monitor entered into a term sheet (the "**Term Sheet**") with Eagle Pass Mining Corp. ("**Eagle Pass**"), specifying that Eagle Pass would purchase all of the assets, undertaking and property of TNB (other than real property, mineral claims, mining leases and real property leases owned or held by TNB) pursuant to the tender process conducted by the Receiver;
- D. Pursuant to the Term Sheet, the Monitor would facilitate the sale or transfer of TNB's real property, mineral claims, mining leases and real property leases capable of transfer by which Eagle Pass would acquire the ownership of such interests with the consent or approval of the Province of New Brunswick and the New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development;
- E. On January 30, 2024, at the request of Eagle Pass, the Receiver and Monitor agreed to amend the Term Sheet by assigning it to the Purchaser; and

F. Subject to Court approval, the Vendor has agreed to sell and assign to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser has agreed to purchase from the Vendor, all of TNB's right, title and interest to the Assets (as defined herein) and to assume and agree to pay, perform and discharge when due the Assumed Liabilities (as defined herein), subject to and upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the respective covenants, agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities herein contained, and of the mutual benefits to be derived hereby (the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged), the Parties covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:

"Accounts Receivable" means all of TNB's debts receivable, accounts receivable, claims, demands, monies and choses in action which now are, or which at any time hereafter may be, due or owing to or owned by TNB, and all books, records, documents, papers, and electronically recorded data recording, evidencing or relating to the said debts, accounts, claims, demand, monies and choses in action or any part thereof.

"**Action**" means any litigation, action, suit, binding arbitration or other legal, administrative or judicial proceeding.

"Affiliate" means, as to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, or is under common Control with, or is Controlled by, such Person.

"Agreement" means this Asset Purchase Agreement, including the Exhibits and the Disclosure Schedules attached hereto and thereto and all amendments hereto and thereto made in accordance with Section 13.5.

"Ancillary Agreements" means, in each case in a form reasonably acceptable to the Vendor and the Purchaser: (i) a Bill of Sale for the assignment and conveyance of the Assets from the Vendor to the Purchaser; (ii) an Assignment and Assumption Agreement for the assignment and assumption of the Contracts and the Assumed Liabilities from the Vendor to the Purchaser; (iii) the Caribou LELA; (iv) the Restigouche LELA; (v) the Funding Agreement; and (vi) instruments of assignment of the Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, and any other assignments or instruments with respect to the Assets for which an assignment or instrument is required to assign, transfer, convey and deliver such Assets to the Purchaser or to record such assignment, transfer or conveyance with the appropriate government offices, domain name registrars or other similar authorities.

"Approval and Vesting Order" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.2.

"Asset Allocation Schedule" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.

"Assets" means, together, the Receivership Process Assets and the Real Property Assets.

"Assumed Liabilities" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.

"Bankruptcy and Insolvency Laws" means the BIA, the CCAA, the *Law and Equity Act,* R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 253, and *Judicature Act,* R.S.N.B. 1973, c. J-2 and the other applicable insolvency Laws of any jurisdiction where Insolvency Proceedings are instituted.

"BIA" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Bonds" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.4.

"Business" means TNB's business of operating and maintaining the Mines, in addition to other zinc and mineral mines, the exploration for zinc and other minerals, the development and exploitation of mining properties, water and environmental remediation activities and all activities incidental thereto.

"Business Day" means a day on which the banks are open for business (Saturdays, Sundays, statutory and civic holidays excluded) in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

"Business Information" means those books, records, files, documentation and sales literature in the possession or under control of the Vendor as of the Closing Date that, in the sole opinion of the Vendor, are specifically used or held for use in connection with the other categories of Assets to be acquired by the Purchaser herein, including information, policies and procedures, Equipment and Machinery manuals, materials and procurement documentation used in the Business, but excluding (i) any such materials relating to Accounts Receivable; and (ii) any records of former employees of TNB.

"Caribou LELA" means the limited environmental liability agreement to be entered into by the Purchaser and GNB concerning the obligations of the parties thereto for environmental remediation and reclamation of the Caribou Mine, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

"Caribou Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located approximately 50 kilometers west of Bathurst in Restigouche County in the Province of New Brunswick, lying within NTS map sheet 210/09 commonly known as the Caribou Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Caribou Zinc mine site, or otherwise owned by TNB in connection with the mine.

"Cash Payment" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.1.

"Certificate" means the certificate, substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" to the Approval and Vesting Order, to be delivered by the Receiver to the Vendor and the Purchaser on Closing and thereafter filed by the Receiver in its role as Receiver with the Court.

"CCAA" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Order" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Proceedings" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Closing" means completion of the transactions in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

"Closing Date" has the meaning set out in Section 10.1.

"Contracts" means those TNB contracts, agreements, obligations, licenses, undertakings, instruments, Leases, commitments or other arrangements, whether written or oral, associated with the Business and listed in Section A.3 of Schedule A.

"Control", including, with its correlative meanings, "Controlled by" and "under common Control with", means, in connection with a given Person, the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to either (i) elect more than 50% of the directors of such Person; or (ii) direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of securities, Contract or otherwise.

"Copyrights" means all Canadian and foreign copyrights and copyrightable subject matter, whether registered or unregistered, including all Canadian copyright registrations and applications for registration and foreign equivalents, all moral rights and rights of attribution and integrity, all common law copyright rights, and all rights to register and obtain renewals and extensions of copyright registrations, together with all other copyright interests accruing by reason of any international copyright convention or treaty.

"Court" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CRA" means the Canada Revenue Agency.

"DELG" means New Brunswick's Department of Environment and Local Government.

"Dentons" means Dentons Canada LLP, as counsel to the Receiver, the Monitor and the Vendor.

"Deposit" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.2.

"Disclosure Schedules" means the disclosure schedules which form part of this Agreement pursuant to Section 2.7.

"DNRED" means New Brunswick's Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development.

"Encumbrance" means any lien, mortgage, pledge or security interest, hypothec (including legal hypothecs), encumbrance, servitude, easement, encroachment, right-of-way, restrictive covenant on real or immovable property, real property licence, other real rights in favor of Third Parties, charge, prior claim, lease, occupancy agreement, leasing agreement, statutory or deemed trust or conditional sale arrangement, on the Assets, including any charges on the Assets created by or pursuant to any Order of the Court in the Receivership Proceedings and/or the CCAA Proceedings.

"Environmental Law" means any applicable Law relating to contamination, pollution or protection of the environment (including ambient air, surface water, ground water, subsurface or subsurface strata), plant life, animal and fish or other natural resources or human health, including without limitation, Laws relating to the exposure to, or Releases or threatened Releases of, Hazardous Materials or otherwise relating to the manufacture, presence, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, Release, transport, disposal, transfer, discharge, control, recycling, production, generation or handling of Hazardous Materials and all Laws with regard to monitoring, recordkeeping, notification, disclosure and reporting requirements respecting Hazardous Materials, each as amended and as now in effect.

"Environmental Liabilities" will mean any and all liability arising out of, based on or resulting from: (i) the presence, Release, threatened Release, discharge or emission into the environment of any Hazardous Materials or substances existing or arising on, beneath or above the TNB Property and/or emanating or migrating and/or threatening to emanate or migrate from the TNB Property to other properties; (ii) storage, disposal or treatment of or the arrangement for the storage, disposal or treatment of Hazardous Materials originating or transported from the TNB Property to an off-site treatment, storage or disposal facility; (iii) physical disturbance of the environment on or from the TNB Property; or (iv) the violation or alleged violation of any Environmental Laws relating to the TNB Property.

"Equipment and Machinery" means all of TNB's equipment, machinery and vehicles used in connection with the Business, including those items specifically listed in Section A.1 of Schedule A.

"ETA" means the Excise Tax Act (Canada), including regulations thereunder.

"Excluded Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"FTI" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Funding Agreement" means the funding agreement to be entered into between the GNB and the Purchaser, relating to the management of the Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D.

"GNB" means the Government of New Brunswick, Canada.

"Government Entity" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, state, municipal or local governmental authority, quasi-governmental authority, instrumentality, court, government or self-regulatory organization, bureau, commission, tribunal or organization or any regulatory, administrative or other agency, or any political or other subdivision, department or branch of any of the foregoing having jurisdiction with respect to TNB, the Assets, the Business or any other matter that is the subject of this Agreement, including without limitation, the DNRED, the DELG, and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency.

"GST/HST" means the goods and services tax/harmonized sales tax imposed under Part IX of the ETA.

"Halfmile Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, Canada, commonly known as the Halfmile Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Halfmile Mine site, or otherwise owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. in connection with such mine.

"Hazardous Materials" means (i) petroleum, petroleum products, asbestos in any form, mold, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, lead based paints, polychlorinated biphenyls or any other material or substance regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law; and (ii) any chemical, material or other substance, contaminant or pollutant which is regulated, defined or listed, alone or in any combination as "hazardous", "hazardous waste", "solid waste", "radioactive", "deleterious", "effluent", "toxic", "caustic", "dangerous", a contaminant, a pollutant, a "waste", a "special waste", a "source of contamination" or "source of pollution", under any Environmental Law.

"Insolvency Proceedings" means the CCAA Proceedings and/or the Receivership Proceedings, and any other proceedings thereunder, as well as any other voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy, insolvency, administration or similar judicial proceedings concerning TNB or TMC that are instituted from time to time.

"Intellectual Property" means all Canadian and foreign intellectual and industrial property rights of any kind, including all: (i) Trademarks; (ii) Patents; (iii) inventions, novel devices, processes, compositions of matter, methods, techniques, improvements, observations, discoveries, apparatuses, machines, designs, expressions, theories and ideas, whether or not patentable and whether or not a patent has been issued or a patent application has been made therefor; (iv) Copyrights; (v) mask works; (vi) Trade Secrets, Know-How, and other proprietary, confidential, technical or Business Information; (vii) Software and technology; (viii) rights of privacy and rights to personal information; (ix) all telephone, telex, and facsimile numbers and Internet protocol addresses; (x) the corporate name of TNB; and (xi) all rights in the foregoing and in other similar intangible assets, and all rights and remedies (including the right to sue for and recover damages, profits and any other remedy) for past, present, or future infringement, misappropriation, or other violation relating to any of the foregoing.

"Inventory" means TNB's inventories of raw materials, ore and refined ore at any stage of the refining process and all other inventory of the Business, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all building materials, furnishings, appliances and other goods, relating to or acquired, used or held in connection with the ownership, development, construction or operation of the Business, in each case held by TNB, including any of the above items which is owned by TNB but which remain in transit to or in the possession or control of a Third Party.

"Know-How" means scientific, engineering, mechanical, electrical, financial, marketing, practical and other similar knowledge or experience useful in the operation of the Business.

"Law" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, local, regional or municipal statute, law, common law, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, writ, injunction, directive, judgment, decree or policy or guideline having the force of law.

"Leased Real Property" means all Leases (or other property interests) for real and immovable property in connection with the Mines under which TNB is a lessee, licensee or occupant.

"Leases" means all unexpired leases, licences or other occupancy agreements.

"Liabilities" means debts, liabilities and obligations, whether accrued or fixed, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured or determined or undeterminable, including those arising under any Law or Action and those arising under any Contract or otherwise, including any Tax liability, Environmental Liabilities, or any other liabilities or obligations under Environmental Laws that are required to be assumed or accepted in order to effectuate or achieve the Transfer Approvals in respect of the Permits and Licences.

"Material Adverse Effect" means any fact, condition, change, violation, inaccuracy, circumstance or event, individually or in the aggregate that: (i) has, or is reasonably likely to have, a material adverse effect on the operations, results of operations or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Business; (ii) materially and adversely impairs the Assets or the Business (excluding the Excluded Assets), taken as a whole; or (iii) materially and adversely delays or impedes the consummation of

the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (except for those matters that are addressed and accomplished by invoking and meeting the terms of Article 12 hereto), but in each case, excluding any such fact, condition, change, violation, inaccuracy, circumstance or event results from or arises out of (a) changes in general economic conditions or changes affecting the industries and markets in which the Business operates (except to the extent that such changes have a disproportionate effect on the Assets or the Business); (b) macroeconomic factors, interest rates, currency exchange rates, general financial market conditions, acts of God, war, terrorism or hostilities; (c) the transactions contemplated hereby or any announcement hereof or the identity of the Purchaser; or (d) the pendency of the Insolvency Proceedings.

"Mines" means, together, the Caribou Mine and the Restigouche Mine.

"Mineral Titles" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.2(b).

"Monitor" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Non-Assignable Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.

"**Order**" means any order, injunction, judgment, decree, ruling, writ, assessment or arbitration award of the Court or other court or of a Government Entity.

"Ordinary Course" means the ordinary course of the Business consistent with recent past practice, as such practice is, or may have been, modified as a result of the Insolvency Proceedings.

"Outside Date" means the date by which the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are to be completed, being July 8, 2024 or such other date as the Parties may mutually agree upon in writing.

"Party" or "Parties" means individually or together, as the case may be, the Vendor and the Purchaser and includes, if applicable, any permitted assignee of either.

"Patents" means all Canadian and foreign (whether national or multinational) statutory invention registrations, patents (including certificates of invention and other patent equivalents), patent applications, provisional patent applications and patents issuing therefrom, industrial designs, and industrial models, as well as all reissues, divisions, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part, patent disclosures, extensions and re-examinations, and all rights therein provided by multinational treaties or conventions.

"Periodic Taxes" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Permits and Licences" means those permits, approvals, licences, certificates or other authorization required under any applicable Law (including Environmental Laws) to conduct the Business that are listed in Section B.4 of Schedule B including for greater certainty, the Mineral Titles.

"**Person**" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, an association, a limited or unlimited liability company, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization or other legal entity or Government Entity.

"Post Closing" means the period after the Closing.

"Post-Closing Tax Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Pre-Closing Tax Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Purchase Price" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.1.

"Purchased Deposits" means those deposits (including customer deposits and security deposits for rent, electricity and otherwise) and prepaid charges and expenses provided by TNB, including the right to receive any refund of any unutilized amounts thereof which are paid, but only in connection with the other Assets acquired by the Purchaser herein, but excluding any Bonds.

"Purchaser" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Real Property" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.2(c).

"Real Property Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.2.

"Receiver" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Order" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Proceedings" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Process Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.1.

"Release" means any release, spill, emission, discharge, leaking, pouring, emptying, escaping, dumping, injection, deposit, disposal, dispersal, leaching or migration into the indoor or outdoor environment (including, without limitation, ambient air, surface water, groundwater and surface or subsurface strata) or into or out of any property.

"Restigouche LELA" means a limited environmental liability agreement to be entered into by the Purchaser and GNB regarding the obligations of the Parties concerning environmental remediation and reclamation of the Restigouche Mine, in the form attached as Exhibit C.

"Restigouche Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located approximately 20 kilometres west-southwest of the Caribou Mine in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, lying within NTS map sheet 21O/10 commonly known as the Restigouche Mine and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Restigouche Zinc mine site, or otherwise owned by TNB in connection with the mine.

"Software" means all computer software programs (whether in source code, object code, or other form) and software systems, including all websites, algorithms, databases, compilations and data, tool sets, compilers, higher level or "proprietary" languages, related documentation and technology, technical manuals and materials, and any rights relating to the foregoing.

"Straddle Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Subsidiary" of a Person means any Person controlled by such first Person.

"Target Closing Date" means the date that is on or before June 7, 2024 or such other date as may be agreed by the Parties in writing, provided that such date may not be later than the Outside Date.

"Tax" means any domestic or foreign federal, state, local, provincial, territorial or municipal taxes or other impositions by any Government Entity, including Transfer Taxes and the following taxes and impositions: net income, gross income, capital, value added, goods and services, capital gains, alternative, net worth, harmonized sales, gross receipts, sales, use, ad valorem, business rates, transfer, franchise, profits, business, environmental, real or immovable property, municipal, school, Canada Pension Plan, withholding, workers' compensation levies, payroll, employment, unemployment, employer health, occupation, social security, excise, stamp, customs, and all other taxes, fees, duties, assessments, deductions, contributions, withholdings or charges of the same or of a similar nature, however denominated, together with any interest and penalties, additions to tax or additional amounts imposed or assessed with respect thereto.

"**Tax Act**" means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time.

"Tax Authority" means any local, municipal, governmental, state, provincial, territorial, federal, including any Canadian or other fiscal, customs or excise authority, body or officials anywhere in the world with responsibility for, and competent to impose, collect or administer, any form of Tax.

"Tax Returns" means all returns, reports (including elections, declarations, disclosures, statements, schedules, estimates and information returns) and other information filed or required to be filed with any Tax Authority relating to Taxes.

"Third Party" means any Person that is neither a Party nor an Affiliate of a Party.

"TMC" has the meaning set forth in Recital A.

"TNB" has the meaning set forth in Recital A.

"TNB Property" means, collectively, any real property associated with the Mines, Permits and Licences and the Leased Real Property.

"Trade Secrets" means trade secrets and other confidential or proprietary ideas, concepts, methods, processes, formulae, models, methodologies, algorithms, reports, data, customer lists, mailing lists, business plans, market surveys, market research studies, information contained on drawings and other documents and information (including with respect to research, development and testing).

"Trademarks" means, together with the goodwill associated therewith, all Canadian, provincial and foreign trademarks, service marks, trade dress, logos, slogans, distinguishing guises and indicia, trade names (including all assumed or fictitious names under which the Business has been conducted), corporate names, business names, domain names, and any other indicia of source or sponsorship of goods or services, whether or not registered, including all common law rights, and registrations, applications for registration and renewals thereof, including all marks registered in the Canadian Intellectual Property Office or any trademark offices of other states or nations throughout the world and all rights therein, including those provided by multinational treaties or conventions.

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and all other ancillary documents to be entered into, or documentation delivered by, any Party pursuant to this Agreement.

"Transfer Approvals" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.3.5.

"Transfer Taxes" means all goods and services, sales, excise, use, transfer, gross receipts, documentary, filing, recordation, value-added, stamp, stamp duty reserve, GST/HST, and all other similar taxes, duties or other like charges, however denominated (specifically including property transfer taxes and harmonized sales taxes), in each case including interest, penalties or additions attributable thereto whether or not disputed, arising out of or in connection with the transaction, regardless of whether the Government Entity seeks to collect the Transfer Tax from the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, or the Purchaser.

"Transferred Intellectual Property" means the following Intellectual Property owned, used, or held for use by or on behalf of TNB in the Business (or in any product, service, technology or process currently or formerly manufactured, produced, marketed, distributed or offered for sale by or on behalf of TNB or any Subsidiary or currently under development by or on behalf of TNB or any Subsidiary): (i) the Patents (ii) the Trademarks; and (iii) any other Intellectual Property set forth in Section A.3 of Schedule A.

"**Vendor**" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 INTERPRETATION

2.1 Gender and Number

Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders and words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa.

2.2 Certain Phrases

In this Agreement (i) the words "including" and "includes" mean "including (or includes) without limitation" and will not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it; (ii) the terms "hereof", "herein", "hereunder" and "herewith" and words of similar import will, unless otherwise stated, be construed to refer to this Agreement and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and Article, Section, paragraph, Exhibit and Schedule references are to the Articles, Sections, paragraphs, Exhibits and Schedules to this Agreement unless otherwise specified; and (iii) in the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, unless otherwise expressly stated, the word "from" means "from and including" and the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding". If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.3 Calculation of Time

When calculating the period of time "within" which, "prior to" or "following" which any act or event is required or permitted to be done, notice given or steps taken, the date which is the reference date in

calculating such period is excluded from the calculation. If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.4 Headings

The inclusion of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles and Sections and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and are not to affect or be used in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section" are to the corresponding Section of this Agreement unless otherwise specified.

2.5 Currency

All monetary amounts in this Agreement, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are stated in Canadian currency. All calculations and estimates to be performed or undertaken, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are to be expressed in Canadian currency. All payments required under this Agreement will be paid in Canadian currency in immediately available funds, unless otherwise specifically indicated herein. Where another currency is to be converted into Canadian currency it will be converted on the basis of the average exchange rate published by the Bank of Canada for the day in question.

2.6 Statutory References

Unless otherwise specifically indicated, any reference to a statute in this Agreement refers to that statute and to the regulations made under that statute as in force from time to time.

2.7 Exhibits and Disclosure Schedules

The Exhibits and the Disclosure Schedules annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set in full herein. Any capitalized terms used in any Exhibit or Disclosure Schedule but not otherwise defined therein will be defined as set forth in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 PURCHASE AND SALE OF ASSETS

3.1 Purchase and Sale

- 3.1.1 Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement (including for greater certainty, the categories of Excluded Assets listed in Section 3.2 and the conditions of Closing set out in Article 9) and the granting of the Approval and Vesting Order, at the Closing, the Purchaser agrees to purchase or be assigned and assume from the Vendor, and the Vendor will sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to the Purchaser all of TNB's and the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to the following assets of TNB wherever located, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use in or relating to the Business (for greater certainty, other than the Real Property, Mineral Titles, Leased Real Property, and the Permits and Licences owned or held by TNB):
 - (a) the Equipment and Machinery;
 - (b) the Inventory;
 - (c) the Contracts;

- (d) the Business Information;
- (e) the Transferred Intellectual Property;
- (f) all rights, claims or causes of action of TNB against Third Parties arising out of events occurring prior to the Closing, and including any rights under or pursuant to any and all warranties, representations and guarantees made by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors relating to products sold, or services provided, to TNB, but only to the extent such rights, claims or causes of action are connected to the Assets to be acquired by the Purchaser herein;
- (g) any proprietary rights in Internet protocol addresses, ideas, concepts, methods, processes, formulae, models, methodologies, algorithms, reports, data, customer lists, mailing lists, business plans, market surveys, market research studies, websites, information contained on drawings and other documents, information relating to research, development or testing, and documentation and media constituting, describing or relating to the Transferred Intellectual Property, including memoranda, manuals, technical specifications and other records wherever created throughout the world;
- (h) all pre-paid expenses of the Business, including any deposits, but not including any rights to any Bonds, or amounts in respect of Taxes described in Section 8.6;
- (i) all telephone, telex and telephone facsimile numbers and other directory listings and e-mail and website addresses used in connection with the Business:
- (j) the Purchased Deposits;
- (k) goodwill associated with the Business and the Assets, other than (i) the right to carry on the Business under the name "Trevali New Brunswick"; and (ii) all domain names of TNB;
- (I) all customer lists, files, data and information relating to past and present customers and prospective customers of the Business;
- (m) copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business; and
- (n) all financial and corporate books and records of TNB
 - (collectively, the "**Receivership Process Assets**"). For avoidance of doubt, the Receivership Process Assets does not include the Real Property, the Leased Real Property, and the Permits and Licences.
- 3.1.2 Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement (including the receipt of the Transfer Approvals in addition to the other conditions of Closing set out in Article 9) and the granting of the Approval and Vesting Order, among other things, expanding the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order, at the Closing, the Purchaser agrees to purchase or be assigned and assume from the Vendor, and the Vendor will sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to the Purchaser all of TNB's and the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to the following assets of TNB wherever located, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use in or relating to the Business,

- (a) the Leased Real Property, together with the buildings, structures, improvements and appurtenances thereon, including those listed in Section B.1 of Schedule B (but specifically excluding any buildings, structures, improvements and appurtenances which are not owned by TNB);
- (b) the mineral titles, mining leases, mineral claims (whether patented or unpatented), placer claims or other claims to exploration or mineral rights enumerated in Section B.2 of Schedule B (collectively, the "Mineral Titles");
- (c) the Real Property, including the freehold parcel of real estate identified in Section B.3 of Schedule B; and
- (d) the Permits and Licences, to the extent that such Permits and Licences are assignable or transferable through either providing the required notification to or obtaining the Transfer Approval from a Government Entity or Third Party,

(collectively, the "Real Property Assets" and together with the Receivership Process Assets, the "Assets").

3.2 Excluded Assets

Notwithstanding anything in Section 3.1, in this Section 3.2, elsewhere in this Agreement, or in any of the Transaction Documents to the contrary, except for the Assets, the Purchaser will not acquire and will have no rights with respect to any other assets of TNB or the Vendor, including, but not limited to, TNB's or the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to, the Excluded Assets Listed in Schedule 3.2

3.3 Assumed Liabilities

On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, at the Closing, the Purchaser will assume and become responsible for, and perform, discharge and pay when due, the following Liabilities (the "Assumed Liabilities"), from and after the Closing Date:

- (a) all Liabilities of TNB or the Vendor under the Contracts;
- (b) all Environmental Liabilities associated with the Assets, provided however that the Parties acknowledge that such assumption does not relieve TNB of the Environmental Liabilities that accrued pursuant to Environmental Law prior to Closing;
- (c) all Liabilities for, or related to any obligation for, any Tax that the Purchaser bears under Article 8 (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Transfer Taxes imposed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereunder or any other Transaction Document and the transactions contemplated thereunder);
- (d) except as may be otherwise allocated to the GNB pursuant to the terms of the Caribou LELA and/or the Restigouche LELA, all Liabilities in respect of those Assets listed in Schedule B, including filing and other fees related thereto, provided however that the Parties acknowledge that such assumption does not relieve TNB of the Environmental Liabilities that accrued pursuant to Environmental Law prior to Closing; and
- (e) all Liabilities associated with, or in regard to any Transfer Approvals.

3.4 Non-Assignable Contracts

To the extent that any Contract is not capable of being assigned pursuant to other applicable Laws or the terms of such Contract to the Purchaser on the Closing Date without the consent of the issuer thereof or the counter-party thereto or any Third Party (including a Government Entity), and such consent has not been obtained (collectively, the "Non-Assignable Contracts"), this Agreement will not constitute an assignment thereof, or an attempted assignment, unless any such consent is obtained. Any payment to be made in order to obtain any consent required by the terms of any Non-Assignable Contract will be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser. If such consent is required but not obtained, the Vendor will, at the Purchaser's sole cost and expense, cooperate with the Purchaser in any reasonable arrangement, including the Purchaser's provision of credit support, designed to provide for the Purchaser the benefits and obligations of or under any such Contract, including enforcement for the benefit of the Purchaser of any and all rights of the Vendor against a third party thereto arising out of the breach or cancellation thereof by such third party; provided, that nothing in this Section 3.4 will (i) require the Vendor to make any significant expenditure or incur any significant obligation on its own or on the Purchaser's behalf; or (ii) prohibit the Vendor from ceasing operations or winding up its affairs following the Closing. Any assignment to the Purchaser of any Contract that will require the consent of any Third Party for such assignment as aforesaid will be made subject to such consent being obtained or further order of the Court approving such assignment. Any contract that would be an Contract but is not assigned in accordance with the terms of this Section 3.4 will not be considered an "Contract" for purposes hereof unless and until such contract is assigned to the Purchaser following the Closing Date or such order has been granted by the Court approving such assignment.

ARTICLE 4 PURCHASE PRICE AND ALLOCATION

4.1 Purchase Price and Deposit

- 4.1.1 Pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, in consideration of the sale of the Assets pursuant to the terms hereof, the Purchaser will (i) pay to the Vendor an amount equal to \$6,500,000.00 which the Purchaser will pay and deliver at the Closing in accordance with Section 10.2 (the "Cash Payment"); and (ii) assume from TNB and the Vendor and become obligated to pay, perform and discharge, when due, the Assumed Liabilities (the amounts referred to in (i) and (ii), are collectively, the "Purchase Price").
- 4.1.2 The Parties acknowledge that the Purchaser has remitted **\$225,000.00** to Dentons which will be held as a deposit (the "**Deposit**") to be applied on account of the Purchase Price at the Closing.
- 4.1.3 The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that the Deposit paid by the Purchaser will only be refundable if:
 - (a) the Closing does not complete as a result of a breach of this Agreement by the Vendor and the Purchaser is not in default hereunder; or
 - (b) the Approval and Vesting Order has not been obtained by the Outside Date or the Court declines at any time to grant the Approval and Vesting Order without leave to re-apply, in each case for reasons other than a breach of this Agreement by the Purchaser,

otherwise, if the Closing does not complete by the Target Closing Date, or such later date as the Parties may agree in writing, the Deposit will be irrevocably forfeited to the Vendor and will be non-refundable. For greater certainty, such forfeiture of the Deposit to the Vendor will be in addition to and not in substitution of any remedy the Vendor may have against the Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise.

4.1.4 To the extent section 182 of the ETA applies to deem the Deposit, or a portion thereof, to be inclusive of GST/HST, the Purchaser shall pay the Vendor an additional amount sufficient to ensure that the Vendor receives the same net aggregate amount had the deeming provision not applied.

4.2 Purchase Price Allocation

Schedule 4.2 (the "Asset Allocation Schedule") allocates the Purchase Price (including specific allocation of the Assumed Liabilities that are liabilities for federal income Tax purposes) on a dollar basis among the Assets. The Asset Allocation Schedule will be commercially reasonable based on fair market value of the Assets and the Purchaser, and the Vendor will each file all applicable Tax Returns, if any, in accordance with the Asset Allocation Schedule. To the extent applicable, the Purchaser, on the one hand, and the Vendor, on the other hand, each agrees to provide the other promptly with any other information reasonably required to complete any Tax Returns.

ARTICLE 5

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PURCHASER

The Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to the Vendor, as follows:

5.1 Organization

The Purchaser is duly organized and validly existing under the Laws of the jurisdiction in which it is organized. The Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations pursuant to each of the Transaction Documents to which it is or will become a party.

5.2 Corporate Power

The Purchaser is qualified to do business as contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and to own or lease and operate its properties and assets, including the Assets, except to the extent that the failure to be so qualified would not materially hinder, delay or impair the Purchaser's ability to carry out its obligations under, and to consummate the transactions contemplated by, this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is or will become a party.

5.3 Authorization

The execution, delivery and performance of each Transaction Document to which the Purchaser is a party will have been duly authorized by the Purchaser at the time of its execution and delivery. Assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Vendor, each Transaction Document to which the Purchaser is a party constitutes, or upon execution thereof will constitute, a valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser, enforceable against the Purchaser in accordance with its respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of public policy.

5.4 No Breach

The execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of each of the Transaction Documents to which the Purchaser is, or on the Closing Date will be, a party do not and will not conflict with or result in a breach of the terms, conditions or provisions of, constitute a default under, result in a violation of, or require any consent (other than the Transfer Approvals) or other action by or declaration or notice to any Government Entity pursuant to (i) the constating documents of the Purchaser; (ii) any Contract or other document to which the Purchaser is a party or to which any of its assets is subject; or (iii) any Laws to which the Purchaser or any of its assets is subject, except, in the case of (ii) and (iii) above, for such defaults, violations, actions and notifications that would not individually or in the aggregate materially hinder, delay or impair the performance by the Purchaser of any of its obligations under any Transaction Document.

5.5 Acknowledgement of Scope of Vendor's Representations and Warranties

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person, is making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, beyond those expressly given by the Vendor in Article 6 (as may be modified by the Disclosure Schedules), or with respect to any other information provided to the Purchaser in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, including without limitation as to the probable success or profitability of the ownership, use or operation of the Business and the Assets after the Closing. The Purchaser further acknowledges that neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person has made any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TNB, TMC, the Assets, the Business, the Mines, or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement not expressly set forth in this Agreement, and neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person will have or be subject to liability to the Purchaser or any other Person resulting from the distribution to the Purchaser or its representatives or the Purchaser's use of, any such information, including data room information provided to the Purchaser, or its representatives, in connection with the sale of the Assets. The Purchaser acknowledges that it has conducted to its satisfaction its own independent investigation and due diligence of the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, and, in making the determination to proceed with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the Purchaser has relied on the results of its own independent investigation.

5.6 As-Is Where-is Transaction

The Purchaser hereby acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the Purchaser is solely responsible for carrying out its own due diligence investigations of the Assets and Assumed Liabilities; (ii) by deciding to proceed with the transactions contemplated herein the Purchaser has relied on and is satisfied with all the results of its investigations; and (iii) except as otherwise expressly provided in Article 6 of this Agreement, neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TNB, TMC or their agents or representatives, nor any other Person is making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, with respect to any matter relating to the Assets, the Business, the Mines, and TNB's ownership and operation thereof or any Encumbrances or Liabilities (including Environmental Liabilities) associated therewith, and the quantity, quality, suitability for mining or costs of mining of any mineral reserves included in the Assets. Without in any way limiting the foregoing, the Purchaser acknowledges that neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TNB, TMC or their agents or representatives, nor any Person has given, will not be deemed to have given, and hereby disclaims any warranty, express or implied, of merchantability of fitness for any

particular purpose as to any portion of the Assets, the Business or the Mines. Accordingly, the Purchaser agrees to accept the Assets at the Closing "As is" "Where is" and "With All Faults".

5.7 Brokers

Except for fees and commissions that will be paid by the Purchaser, no broker, finder or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's or similar fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates.

5.8 GST/HST Registration

The Purchaser will be duly registered as of the Closing under Subdivision D of Division V of Part IX of the ETA and will provide to the Vendor its registration number no later than 10 days prior to Closing.

5.9 Financing

The Purchaser has, and at all times from the date hereof through the Closing and any Post Closing period pursuant to Article 12 will have, sufficient funds available to pay the Purchase Price and all other amounts payable under the Transaction Documents and to otherwise consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and to pay all fees and expenses related thereto. The Purchaser acknowledges that its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents are not subject to any conditions regarding its ability to obtain financing for any portion of the foregoing amounts.

5.10 Transfer and Other Approvals

The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that time is of the essence in effecting the Closing and otherwise consummate the transactions contemplated herein, and that it will promptly and in a timely manner provide written requests, execute and deliver all required documents and materials and perform all necessary and required actions to obtain Transfer Approvals for the Assets listed in Schedule B from appropriate Government Entities. Except for the Approval and Vesting Order, and Transfer Approvals, to the best of the Purchaser's knowledge, no notice, filing, authorization, approval, order or consent is required to be given, filed or obtained by the Purchaser to or from any Government Entity or third party in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

5.11 Purchaser's Qualifications to Obtain Transfer Approvals and Hold Permits and Licences

The Purchaser is aware of no facts that would prevent the issuance of Transfer Approvals from any Government Entities for the transfer of the Permits and Licences to the Purchaser or for the obtaining of replacement Permits and Licences by the Purchaser for those Permits and Licences presently held by TNB that are not transferable.

ARTICLE 6

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE VENDOR

6.1 Representations and Warranties of Vendor

The Vendor hereby represents and warrants to the Purchaser as follows:

- (a) the Receiver has been appointed as the receiver of the Receivership Process Assets pursuant to the Receivership Order, and such order is in full force and effect as of the date hereof; and
- (b) the Vendor is not and will not be at the Closing, a non-resident of Canada for the purposes of Section 116 of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

6.2 No Other Representations and Warranties of the Vendor, Receiver or Monitor

Except for the representations and warranties of the Vendor contained in this Article 6, neither the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, TMC, their agents and their representatives, nor any other Person has made or makes any other express or implied representation or warranty, either written or oral, on behalf of the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TNB, or TMC whether in respect of the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, or otherwise, including any representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TNB or TMC furnished or made available to Purchaser and its representatives or as to the future revenue, profitability or success of TNB, TMC, the Assets, the Business, or the Mines, or any representation or warranty arising from statute or otherwise at Law.

ARTICLE 7

COVENANTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

7.1 Approval of the Court

- 7.1.1 The Purchaser acknowledges that this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby are subject to the approval of the Court.
 - 7.1.2 The Vendor will use its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain an Order of the Court in the Receivership Proceedings, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A containing, among other things, orders: approving this Agreement; immediately prior to the Closing, expanding the definition of "Property" in the Receivership Order to include the Real Property Assets; authorizing and directing the Vendor to perform its obligations hereunder and to receive payment of the Purchase Price; authorizing the Vendor to execute such deeds, bills of sale and other instruments of sale and transfers as the Vendor may deem necessary or desirable in order to transfer to the Purchaser all of the Vendor's and TNB's interest in and to the Assets; enabling the Vendor to convey all of the Vendor's and TNB's interest in the Assets to the Purchaser (the "Approval and Vesting Order").

7.2 Co-operation

7.2.1 Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, each Party will use its commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, and cooperate with each other in order to do, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Law to

consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement as soon as practicable and to effect the Closing on the Target Closing Date, including the preparation and filing of all forms, registrations and notices required to be filed to consummate the Closing, making witnesses available in the Court or by declaration, as necessary, in obtaining the Approval and Vesting Order, and the taking of such actions as are necessary to obtain any requisite consent from a Government Entity or other Third Party; provided, however, at no time will the Vendor be obligated to make any payment or deliver anything of value to any Third Party (other than filing with and payment of any application fees to Government Entities, all of which will be paid or reimbursed by the Purchaser) in order to obtain any consent.

7.2.2 Each of the Vendor and the Purchaser will promptly notify the other of the occurrence, to such Party's knowledge, of any event or condition, or the existence, to such Party's knowledge, of any fact, that would reasonably be expected to result in (i) any of the conditions set forth in Article 9 not being satisfied; or (ii) any of the representations and warranties in Article 5 or Article 6 not being true and correct.

7.3 Transfer Approvals

- 7.3.1 To the extent required by applicable Laws, each Party agrees to prepare and file as promptly as practicable and in any event, within 7 Business Days from the execution of this Agreement: (i) all filings and applications required and desirable to obtain; and (ii) all other necessary documents, registrations, statements, petitions, filings and applications for, or to obtain, any required Transfer Approvals and any other consent of any other Government Entities required to satisfy the condition set forth in Section 9.1(d).
- Each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) cooperate with each other in connection with any filing or submission and in connection with any investigation or other inquiry, including any proceeding initiated by a private party; (ii) keep the other Party informed in all material respects of any material communication received by such Party from, or given by such Party to, any Government Entity and of any material communication received or given in connection with any proceeding by a private party, in each case regarding any of the transactions contemplated hereby; and (iii) permit the other Party to review any material communication given to it by, and consult with each other in advance of any meeting or conference with any Government Entity, including in connection with any proceeding by a private party. The foregoing obligations in this Section 7.3.2 will be subject to any solicitor-client, work product or other privilege, and each Party hereto will coordinate and cooperate fully with the other Party hereto in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as such other Party may reasonably request in connection with the foregoing. The Parties will not take any action that will have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding the receipt of any required authorizations, consents, Orders or approvals. Fees incurred in connection with complying with any Law pursuant to this Section 7.3.2, and any filing or other administrative fees or costs incurred in connection with obtaining the Transfer Approvals will be borne solely by the Purchaser.
- 7.3.3 If any objections are asserted with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby under any Law or if any suit is instituted by any Government Entity or any private party challenging any of the transactions contemplated hereby as being in violation of any Law or if the filing pursuant to this Section 7.3 is reasonably likely to be rejected or conditioned by a federal, provincial or territorial Government Entity, each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resolve such objections or challenge as such Government Entity or private party may have to such transactions, including to vacate, lift, reverse or overturn any Action, whether temporary, preliminary or permanent, so as to permit consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

- 7.3.4 The Purchaser will use its commercially reasonable efforts to satisfy (or cause the satisfaction of) the conditions precedent to the Purchaser's obligations associated with the Closing hereunder as set forth in Section 9.1 and Section 9.3 to the extent the same is within its control and to take, or cause to be taken, all other action and to do, or cause to be done, all other things necessary, proper or advisable under all applicable Laws to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including using its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the Transfer Approvals in accordance with Section 7.3.5, and any other Third Party consents required to be obtained, in order for the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 7.3.5 No later than 3 Business Days after the execution of this Agreement, the Purchaser agrees to contact applicable Government Entities and use its commercially reasonable efforts to understand the requirements associated with the timely transfer of the Assets listed in Schedule B from the Vendor to the Purchaser, including in order to obtain, as of the Closing Date, replacement Permits and Licences for those Permits and Licences presently held by TNB that are not transferable. Prior to the Closing, the Purchaser: (i) will file with DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities all applications, requests for consent, and other instruments required to transfer the Assets listed in Schedule B which are subject to approval or other processing by such Government Entities, from the Vendor to the Purchaser (including the posting and acceptance of whatever fees or financial assurance instruments that may be required in connection with such approval or other processing); (ii) will file with DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities all applications, instruments or notices for approval or other processing by such Government Entities, as may be necessary to obtain replacement Permits and Licences as of the Closing Date for those Permits and Licences presently held by TNB that are not transferable (including the posting and acceptance by the appropriate Government Entity of whatever fees or financial assurance instruments are required in connection with such approval or other processing); and (iii) obtain the consent from DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities to transfer those Assets from TNB and the Vendor to the Purchaser described in (i), and the issuance from the appropriate Government Entities of new Permits and Licences that are not transferrable to the Purchaser described in (ii); with those items referenced in sub-clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) above collectively referred to as the "Transfer Approvals".
- 7.3.6 The Purchaser will diligently pursue on a commercially reasonable efforts basis all Transfer Approvals necessary to complete the transfer of such Permits and Licences from TNB and the Vendor to the Purchaser or obtain new Permits and Licences in the Purchaser's own name as of the Closing Date (acknowledging that all such Transfer Approvals will be contingent on the consummation of the Closing unless the terms of this Agreement provide otherwise), and will keep the Vendor apprised of the status of its efforts to secure such Transfer Approvals.
- 7.3.7 All of the Transfer Approvals must be in place and effective as of the Closing Date, and the Purchaser will have no right to conduct any activities under any of the Permits and Licences or Contract that has not been assigned, transferred or re-issued to the Purchaser.

7.4 Replacement of Bonds

Prior to the Closing, in order to meet certain financial assurance requirements in obtaining the Transfer Approvals (including new Permits and Licences in the name of the Purchaser), the Purchaser will provide to the appropriate Government Entities or other applicable party a firm undertaking (including submission of evidence of financial assurance in a form acceptable to the Government Entities or other party), and (subject only to the payment of required premiums by the Purchaser and the Closing) will post, effective as of the Closing Date, the requisite bonds (including any reclamation bond) and any other financial assurance instruments that may be required (collectively, the "Bonds"), in a form and amount

acceptable to the Government Entities and other applicable Third Party. The Purchaser agrees to cooperate and work with the Government Entities or other parties to ensure that the required bonds and other financial assurance instruments become effective promptly after the applications to transfer are accepted by the Government Entities or other applicable parties and bond determinations are provided and to ensure the posting and acceptance by the Government Entities of the required bond and other financial assurance instruments, thereby allowing the complete, immediate and unrestricted release of the financial assurance instruments currently provided by TNB to the Government Entities.

7.5 Pre-Closing Access to Information

Prior to the Closing, the Vendor will (a) give the Purchaser and its authorized representatives, upon advance notice and during regular business hours, access to all books, records, reports, plans, certificates, files, documents and information related to the Assets, personnel, officers and other facilities and properties of the Business; and (b) permit the Purchaser to make such copies and inspections thereof, upon advance notice and during regular business hours, as the Purchaser may reasonably request; provided, however, that (i) any such access will be conducted at Purchaser's expense, in accordance with applicable Laws, under the supervision of the Vendor's personnel and in such a manner as to maintain confidentiality and not to interfere with the normal operations of the businesses of the Vendor and its Affiliates; and (ii) the Vendor will not be required to provide to the Purchaser access to or copies of any records of former employees.

7.6 Public Announcements

Except as necessary for the Party to make any filing with the Court to obtain approval of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and upon 24 hours' advance notice of such public announcement or press release, no Party will issue any press release or public announcement concerning this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement without obtaining the prior written approval of the other Party, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, unless, in the reasonable judgment of the Purchaser or the Vendor, disclosure is otherwise required by applicable Law, or the Court with respect to filings to be made with the Court in connection with this Agreement, provided that the Party intending to make such release will use its reasonable best efforts consistent with such applicable Law or the Court's or other regulatory requirements, to consult with the other Party with respect to the text thereof.

7.7 Further Actions

From and after the Closing Date, each Party will execute and deliver such documents and other papers and take such further actions as may reasonably be required to carry out the provisions of this Agreement and give effect to the transactions contemplated herein, including the execution and delivery of such assignments, deeds and other documents as may be necessary to transfer any Assets as provided in this Agreement; provided that, the Vendor will not be obligated to make any payment or deliver anything of value to any Third Party (other than filing with and payment of any application fees to Government Entities, all of which will be paid or reimbursed by the Purchaser) in order to obtain any consent to the transfer of Assets or the assumption of Assumed Liabilities.

7.8 Conduct of Business

The Vendor covenants that until Closing, subject to any limitation imposed as a result of being subject to the Insolvency Proceedings and except as: (i) the Parties may approve otherwise in writing as set forth below; or (ii) otherwise contemplated or permitted by this Agreement or another Transaction

Document; or (iv) required by Law (including any applicable Insolvency Law) or by any order of the Court, the Vendor, as Receiver, will continue to operate with respect to the Property (as defined in the Receivership Order) in accordance with the terms of the Receivership Order. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that on the date of execution of this Agreement until the Closing, the Province has stepped in as regulator to perform legally required care and maintenance activities to mitigate environmental consequences to the Property and will continue to do so until Closing.

7.9 Transaction Expenses

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements (including, without limitation, Section 11.2), each of the Purchaser and the Vendor will bear its own costs and expenses (including brokerage commissions, finders' fees or similar compensation, and legal fees and expenses) incurred in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby.

7.10 Certain Payments or Instruments Received from Third Parties

To the extent that, after the Closing Date: (a) the Purchaser receives any payment or instrument that is for the account of the Vendor according to the terms of this Agreement, the Purchaser will promptly deliver such amount or instrument to the Vendor; and (b) the Vendor receives any payment that is for the account of the Purchaser according to the terms of this Agreement or relates primarily to the Business, the Vendor will promptly deliver such amount or instrument to the Purchaser. All amounts due and payable under this Section 7.10 will be due and payable by the applicable Party in immediately available funds, by wire transfer to the account designated in writing by the relevant Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Party hereby undertakes to use reasonable commercial efforts to direct or forward all bills, invoices or like instruments to the appropriate Party.

7.11 Deemed Consent

For the purposes of this Agreement, the Purchaser will be deemed to have obtained all required consents in respect of the assignment of any Contract if, and to the extent that, pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order, the Vendor is authorized to assign to the Purchaser such Contract pursuant to the provisions of applicable Bankruptcy and Insolvency Laws.

7.12 Notification of Certain Matters

The Vendor will give written notice to the Purchaser and the Purchaser will give written notice to the Vendor, as applicable, promptly after becoming aware of: (a) the occurrence of any event, which would be likely to cause any condition set forth in Article 9 to be unsatisfied in any material respect at any time from the date hereof to the Closing Date; or (b) any notice or other communication from: (i) any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; or (ii) any Government Entity in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 7.12 will not limit or otherwise affect the remedies available hereunder to the Vendor or to the Purchaser.

7.13 Casualty Loss

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, if, before the Closing, all or any portion of the Assets is: (a) condemned or taken by eminent domain; or (b) a material portion is damaged

or destroyed by fire or other casualty; then the Vendor will notify the Purchaser promptly in writing of such fact, and (i) in the case of condemnation or taking, the Vendor will assign or pay, as the case may be, any proceeds thereof to the Purchaser at the Closing; and (ii) in the case of fire or other casualty, the Vendor will, at its option, either restore such damage or assign the insurance proceeds therefrom to the Purchaser at Closing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 7.13 will not in any way modify the Purchaser's other rights under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8 TAX MATTERS

8.1 Transfer Taxes

- 8.1.1 The Parties agree that the Purchase Price is exclusive of any Transfer Taxes. Subject to Section 8.2, the Purchaser shall, on Closing, pay any and all Transfer Taxes, including GST/HST, that are properly payable to the Vendor under applicable Law in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein and the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated therein. Furthermore, the Purchaser shall promptly pay directly to the appropriate Governmental Authority any and all Transfer Taxes that are properly payable under applicable Law in connection with this Agreement directly to the appropriate Governmental Authority, and promptly provide to the Vendor proof of such payment.
- 8.1.2 If the Purchaser wishes to claim any exemption relating to, or a reduced rate of, Transfer Taxes, in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated herein or the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated therein, the Purchaser will be solely responsible for ensuring that such exemption or election applies and, in that regard, will provide the Vendor prior to the Closing with its permit number, GST/HST number, or other similar registration numbers and/or any appropriate certificate of exemption, election and/or other document or evidence to support the claimed entitlement to such exemption or reduced rate by the Purchaser. The Vendor will make reasonable efforts to cooperate to the extent necessary to obtain any such exemption or reduced rate.

8.2 Tax Elections

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Vendor and the Purchaser agree that, on Closing Date, they shall jointly execute elections under section 167 of the ETA with respect to the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets by the Vendor. The Vendor and the Purchaser shall make the elections on the prescribed form containing the prescribed information and such election form shall be filed by the Purchaser in accordance with the requirements of the ETA, and, promptly thereafter, the Purchaser shall confirm to the Vendor in writing that such election form has been so filed. The Purchaser shall indemnify and hold the Vendor and TNB, as well as their shareholders, directors and employees, harmless in respect of any (i) GST/HST under the ETA that may be assessed against, or incurred by, the Vendor in relation to the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets, and (ii) any penalties, interests, and/or costs, including reasonable professional fees which may become payable by or assessed against the Vendor and/or TNB as a result of the transaction set forth in this Agreement not being eligible for such election, notably as a consequence of the Purchaser's failure to file the election form within the prescribed time, or any failure in acceptance by any Governmental Authority of those elections. This covenant to indemnify shall survive the Closing and shall continue in full force and effect for the benefit of the Vendor until the expiration of the time during which the relevant Governmental Authority may assess the Vendor in respect of the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets (as extended pursuant to any waivers, including extensions).

8.3 Tax Characterization of Payments under this Agreement

The Vendor and the Purchaser agree to treat all payments made either to or for the benefit of the other Party under this Agreement as adjustments to the Purchase Price for Tax purposes and that such treatment will govern for purposes hereof to the extent permitted under applicable Tax Law.

8.4 Records

After the Closing Date, the Purchaser and the Vendor, will each make available to the other, as reasonably requested, and to any Tax Authority, all information, records or documents relating to liability for Taxes with respect to the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Business for all periods prior to or including the Closing Date, and will preserve such information, records or documents until the expiration of any applicable statute of limitations or extensions thereof. In the event that one Party needs access to records in the possession of the other Party relating to any of the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, or the Business for purposes of preparing Tax Returns or complying with any Tax audit request, subpoena or other investigative demand by any Tax Authority, or for any other legitimate Tax-related purpose not injurious to the second Party, the other Party will allow representatives of the other Party access to such records during regular business hours at the other Party's place of business for the sole purpose of obtaining information for use as aforesaid and will permit such other Party to make extracts and copies thereof as may be necessary or convenient. The obligation to cooperate pursuant to this paragraph will terminate at the time the relevant applicable statute of limitations expires (giving effect to any extension thereof).

8.5 Tax Allocation

For purposes of Section 3.3(c) all real and personal property Taxes and similar ad valorem obligations levied with respect to the Assets, whether imposed or assessed before or after the Closing Date ("Periodic Taxes") for a taxable period that includes (but does not end on) the Closing Date (a "Straddle Period"), will be apportioned between the Vendor and the Purchaser as of the Closing Date based on the number of days of such taxable period included in the period ending with and including the Closing Date (together with periods ending before the Closing Date, the "Pre-Closing Tax Period"), and the number of days of such taxable period beginning after the Closing Date (together with any periods beginning after the Closing Date, the "Post-Closing Tax Period"). At the Closing, Periodic Taxes with respect to each Asset for the applicable Tax period will be prorated in accordance with the foregoing provisions based on the Tax assessment for such Asset for the applicable Tax period, if available, or otherwise, based on the last available Tax assessment with respect to such Asset. The Vendor will be responsible for such Periodic Taxes attributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods and the Purchaser will be responsible for such Periodic Taxes attributable to Post-Closing Tax Periods. At the Closing, (x) the Vendor will pay to the Purchaser an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the (i) unpaid Periodic Taxes attributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods over (ii) Periodic Taxes paid by TNB or the Vendor but apportioned hereunder to the Purchaser for Straddle Periods (each determined in accordance with the foregoing principles); or (y) the Purchaser will pay to the Vendor an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (i) Periodic Taxes apportioned to the Purchaser with respect to Straddle Periods but previously paid by TNB or the Vendor, over (ii) unpaid Periodic Taxes contributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods, as applicable. The Purchaser will also be responsible for preparing and filing all Periodic Tax returns required to be filed after the Closing Date.

ARTICLE 9 CONDITIONS OF CLOSING

9.1 Conditions to Each Party's Obligation

The Parties' obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents is subject to the satisfaction or the express written waiver of the Parties, at or prior to the Closing, of the following conditions:

- (a) receipt of an executed copy of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;
- (b) there will be in effect no Law or Order prohibiting the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby that has not been withdrawn or terminated;
- (c) the Approval and Vesting Order will have been granted by the Court, in a form satisfactory to both Parties;
- (d) all required Transfer Approvals will have been granted, in a form satisfactory to both Parties;
- (e) all required Third Party consents associated with the assignment of the Contracts (or waivers thereof) will have been obtained;
- (f) there will be in effect no Law or Order prohibiting the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby that has not been withdrawn or terminated; and
- (g) no action or proceeding (including the appeal of, motion to vary, stay or vacate, or, motion for leave to appeal the Approval and Vesting Order) will be outstanding, pending or threatened by any Person, government, governmental authority, regulatory body or agency to challenge the Approval and Vesting Order or enjoin, restrict or to prohibit the sale and purchase of the Assets contemplated hereby.

9.2 Conditions to Vendor's Obligation

The Vendor's obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents will be subject to the fulfillment (or express written waiver by the Vendor), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following additional conditions:

- (a) each representation and warranty of the Purchaser contained in Article 5 will be true and correct: (i) as if restated on and as of the Closing Date; or (ii) if made as of a date specified therein, as of such date. The Vendor will have received a certificate of the Purchaser to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (b) the covenants, obligations, and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Purchaser on or before the Closing will have been complied with and not been breached in any material respect as determined in the sole discretion of the Vendor. The Vendor will have received a certificate of Purchaser to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof; and

(c) each of the deliveries required to be made to the Vendor pursuant to Section 10.2 will have been so delivered.

9.3 Conditions to Purchaser's Obligation

The Purchaser's obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents will be subject to the fulfillment (or express written waiver by the Purchaser), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following additional conditions:

- (a) each of the representations and warranties of the Vendor set forth in Article 6 will be true and correct: (i) as if restated on and as of the Closing Date; or (ii) if made as of a date specified therein, as of such date, except in each case for any failure to be true and correct that has not had a Material Adverse Effect. The Purchaser will have received a certificate of the Vendor to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (b) the covenants, obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Vendor on or before the Closing will have been complied with and not been breached in any material respect. The Purchaser will have received a certificate of the Vendor to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (c) there will not have occurred any changes, effects or circumstances constituting, or which would be reasonably likely to result in, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect; and
- (d) each of the deliveries required to be made to the Purchaser pursuant to Section 10.2 will have been so delivered.

ARTICLE 10 CLOSING

10.1 Closing Date and Time

The Closing will take place at the offices of Dentons, 20th Floor, 250 Howe Street Vancouver, British Columbia, commencing at 10:00 am local time on a date that is on or before the Target Closing Date, subject to the conditions set forth in Article 9 (other than conditions to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the waiver or fulfilment of those conditions) having been satisfied or, if permissible, waived by the Vendor or Purchaser, as applicable or at such other place, date and time as will be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Purchaser and the Vendor (the "Closing Date"). At the Closing, legal title and equitable title with respect to the Assets will transfer to the Purchaser.

10.2 Closing Deliveries

At the Closing, each Party shall deliver or cause to be delivered the following:

- (a) The Vendor and the Purchaser will each execute and deliver duly executed copies of each of the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party.
- (b) The Vendor and the Purchaser will deliver the officer's certificates required to be delivered pursuant to Article 9, as applicable.

- (c) The Vendor will deliver an entered copy of the Approval and Vesting Order.
- (d) Each Party will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the other any other documents reasonably requested by such other Party in order to effect, or evidence the consummation of, the transactions contemplated herein or otherwise provided for under this Agreement.
- (e) The Purchaser will pay to, or cause to be paid to, as directed by the Vendor, in cash, the Cash Payment minus the Deposit, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account or accounts designated by the Vendor.
- (f) Each Party will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the other any other documents reasonably requested by such other Party in order to effect, or evidence the consummation of, the transactions contemplated herein or otherwise provided for under this Agreement.

10.3 Filing of Certificate

As soon as reasonably practical following the Closing, the Receiver will file the Certificate, confirming that the Closing has completed, provided that the Purchaser is not, at that time, in breach of any of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement or any other Agreement between the Vendor, the Receiver or the Monitor and the Purchaser or any agreement between a Government Entity and the Purchaser, the Approval and Vesting Order or any other Order of the Court.

ARTICLE 11 TERMINATION

11.1 Termination

This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

- (a) by mutual written consent of the Vendor and the Purchaser;
- (b) by the Vendor, in its sole discretion, if any of the conditions set in Section 9.1 or Section
 9.2 are incapable of being satisfied by the Outside Date and the Vendor has not waived such condition at or prior to Closing;
- (c) by the Purchaser if any of the conditions set in Section 9.1 or Section 9.3 are incapable of being satisfied by the Outside Date and the Purchaser has not waived such condition at or prior to Closing; or
- (d) by either Party, upon written notice to the other:
 - (i) if an Order is made prohibiting or otherwise precluding the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby; or
 - (ii) if the Closing does not take place by the Outside Date,

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 11.1(d) will not be available to any Party whose breach hereof has been the principal cause of, or has directly resulted in, the event or condition purportedly giving rise to a right to terminate this Agreement under such clause.

11.2 Effects of Termination

If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 11.1, all further obligations of the Parties under or pursuant to this Agreement will terminate without further liability of any Party to the other except for the provisions of (a) Section 7.6 (Public Announcements); (b) Section 7.9 (Transaction Expenses); (c) Section 11.2 (Effects of Termination); (d) Section 13.6 (Successors and Assigns); (e) Section 13.7 (Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction); and (f) Section 13.8 (Notices).

ARTICLE 12 POST CLOSING ACTIVITIES AND AGREEMENTS

12.1 Responsibility for Services to the Mines

All charges for water, electricity, natural gas, telephone, sewer, trash disposal and other recurring services provided to the Mines which relate to such services provided prior to the Closing Date will be for the account of GNB, and all charges for such services provided on and after the Closing Date will be for the account of Purchaser, regardless of the date on which the invoice or other statement for such services is rendered. The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that: (a) as of the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing, the Province has stepped in as regulator to perform legally required care and maintenance activities to mitigate environmental consequences to the Property and will continue to do so until Closing; and (b) the Vendor is the Receiver of the Property (as such term is defined in the Receivership Order) and until Closing the Receiver will continue to operate with respect to the Property (as defined in the Receivership Order) in accordance with the terms of the Receivership Order.

12.2 General Post-Closing Access to the Assets

In addition to the other provisions hereof granting to the Vendor access to the Mines after the Closing Date for certain specified purposes, the Parties agree that upon reasonable prior notice to Purchaser, the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor will be given reasonable access to the Assets, including, without limitation, all financial and corporate books and records of TNB and copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business, as necessary to enable TNB and/or the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor to carry out or respond to day-to-day operational requirements, reporting requirements of Government Entities, removal of Excluded Assets from the Mines, ongoing tax and accounting functions and obligations, and other activities of TNB and/or the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor with respect to the sale of the Assets and the winding down of TNB's responsibilities with respect thereto. All such activities of the Vendor, the Receiver and the Monitor will be conducted in a manner which complies with Purchaser's safety and operating procedures and in a manner which will not interfere unreasonably with the activities of Purchaser. The Purchaser will retain all financial and corporate books and records of TNB, including, without limitation, copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business, for the statutory periods required by any Law.

ARTICLE 13 MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 No Survival of Representations and Warranties or Covenants

No representations or warranties, covenants or agreements in this Agreement or in any instrument delivered pursuant to this Agreement will survive beyond the Closing Date. Accordingly, no claim of any

nature whatsoever for breach of such representations, warranties, covenants or agreements may be made, or Action instituted, after the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the covenants and agreements that by their terms are to be satisfied after the Closing Date will survive until satisfied in accordance with their terms.

13.2 Supplement to Disclosure Schedules

From time to time prior to the Closing, the Vendor will supplement or amend the Disclosure Schedules with respect to any matter that, if existing, occurring or known at the date of this Agreement, would have been required to be set forth or described in the Disclosure Schedules. The Disclosure Schedules will be deemed amended by all such supplements and amendments for all purposes (except for purposes of determining whether the conditions set forth in Article 9 of the Agreement have been satisfied).

13.3 Remedies

No failure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement by any Party will operate as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege, nor will any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement preclude any other or further exercise of such right, remedy, power or privilege or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege.

13.4 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties and their permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or will confer upon any other Person any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

13.5 Consent to Amendments; Waivers

No Party will be deemed to have waived any provision of this Agreement or any of the other Transaction Documents unless such waiver is in writing, and then such waiver will be limited to the circumstances set forth in such written waiver. The Transaction Documents will not be amended, altered or qualified except by an instrument in writing signed by all the Parties hereto or thereto, as the case may be.

13.6 Successors and Assigns

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, all representations, warranties, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement or any of the Ancillary Agreements by or on behalf of the Parties thereto will be binding upon and enure to the benefit of such Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder may be assigned by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent may be withheld in such Party's sole discretion, except for (i) assignment to an Affiliate of a Party (provided that such Party remains liable jointly and severally with its assignee Affiliate for the assigned obligations to the other Party); and (ii) assignment by the Vendor pursuant to an order of Court, which will not require the consent of the Purchaser.

13.7 Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction

13.7.1 Any questions, claims, disputes, remedies or Actions arising from or related to this Agreement, and any relief or remedies sought by any Parties, will be governed exclusively by the Laws of the Province of

British Columbia and Environmental Law without regard to the rules of conflict of laws applied therein or any other jurisdiction.

13.7.2 To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, each Party (i) agrees that any claim, action or proceeding by such Party seeking any relief whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby will be brought only in the Court, if brought prior to the entry of a final order closing the Receivership Proceedings and the CCAA Proceedings; (ii) agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court, for purposes of all legal proceedings arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; (iii) waives and agrees not to assert any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of the venue of any such Action brought in such court or any claim that any such Action brought in such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum; (iv) agrees that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in Section 13.8 or any other manner as may be permitted by Law will be valid and sufficient service thereof; and (v) agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding will be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

13.8 Notices

All demands, notices, communications and reports provided for in this Agreement will be deemed given if in writing and delivered, if sent by telecopy, electronic mail, courier or sent by reputable overnight courier service (delivery charges prepaid) to any Party at the address specified below, or at such other address, to the attention of such other Person, and with such other copy, as the recipient Party has specified by prior written notice to the sending Party pursuant to the provisions of this Section 13.8.

(a) If to the Purchaser, to:

Bathurst Metallic Corp.

58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo, NB, E8K 3R8 Attention: Kevin Vienneau

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

With copies to:

Fogler, Rubinoff LLP

77 King Street West, Suite 3000 Toronto, ON M5K 1G8 Attention: Rick Moscone Email: rmoscone@foglers.com

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(b) If to the Vendor to:

FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Suite 1450 – 701 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC, V7Y 1B6

Attention: Email:

With copies to the Vendor's counsel:

Dentons Canada LLP

250 Howe Street, 20th Floor Vancouver, BC, V6C 3R1 Attention: John R. Sandrelli

Email: john.sandrelli@dentons.com

Any such demand, notice, communication or report will be deemed to have been given pursuant to this Agreement when delivered personally, when confirmed if by facsimile transmission or electronic mail, or on the calendar day after deposit with a reputable overnight courier service, as applicable.

13.9 Exhibits, Disclosure Schedules

The Disclosure Schedules and the Exhibits attached hereto constitute a part of this Agreement and are incorporated into this Agreement for all purposes as if fully set forth herein.

13.10 Counterparts

The Parties may execute this Agreement in two or more counterparts (no one of which need contain the signatures of all Parties) and deliver the Agreement by facsimile or other form of electronic transmission, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

13.11 No Presumption

The Parties agree that this Agreement was negotiated fairly between them at arm's length and that the final terms of this Agreement are the product of the Parties' negotiations. Each Party represents and warrants that it has sought and received experienced legal counsel of its own choosing with regard to the contents of this Agreement and the rights and obligations affected hereby. The Parties agree that this Agreement will be deemed to have been jointly and equally drafted by them, and that the provisions of this Agreement therefore should not be construed either for or against a Party on the grounds that such Party drafted or was more responsible for drafting the provisions.

13.12 Severability

If any provision, clause, or part of this Agreement, or the application thereof under certain circumstances, is held invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in any jurisdiction, (i) as to such jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such provision, clause or part under other circumstances; and (ii) as for any other jurisdiction, any provision of this Agreement, will not be affected and will remain in full force and effect, unless, in each case, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability in such jurisdiction materially impairs the ability of the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Upon such determination that any clause or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in such jurisdiction, the Parties will negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in a mutually acceptable manner in order

that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible even in such jurisdiction.

13.13 Specific Performance

13.13.1 The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that any breach of the terms of this Agreement by Purchaser would give rise to irreparable harm for which money damages would not be an adequate remedy, and, accordingly agrees that, in addition to any other remedies, the Vendor will be entitled to enforce the terms of this Agreement, including, for the avoidance of doubt, Purchaser's obligation to fund the Purchase Price, by a decree of specific performance without the necessity of proving the inadequacy of money damages as a remedy and without the necessity of posting a bond.

13.13.2 The Purchaser agrees that it will not oppose the granting of an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement on the basis that (i) there is adequate remedy at law; or (ii) an award of specific performance is not an appropriate remedy for any reason at law or equity. In the event the Vendor seeks an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, it will not be required to provide any bond or other security in connection with any such order or injunction.

13.14 Entire Agreement

This Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements set forth the entire understanding of the Parties relating to the subject matter thereof, and all prior or contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations and warranties, whether written or oral, are superseded by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, and all such prior or contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations and warranties are hereby terminated. In the event of any irreconcilable conflict between this Agreement and any of the Ancillary Agreements, the provisions of this Agreement will prevail.

13.15 Damages

Under no circumstances will any Party be liable for punitive damages or indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or any breach or alleged breach of any of the terms hereof, including damages alleged as a result of tortious conduct.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC., SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE COURT APPOINTED RECEIVER OF TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD., AND NOT IN ITS PERSONAL CAPACITY

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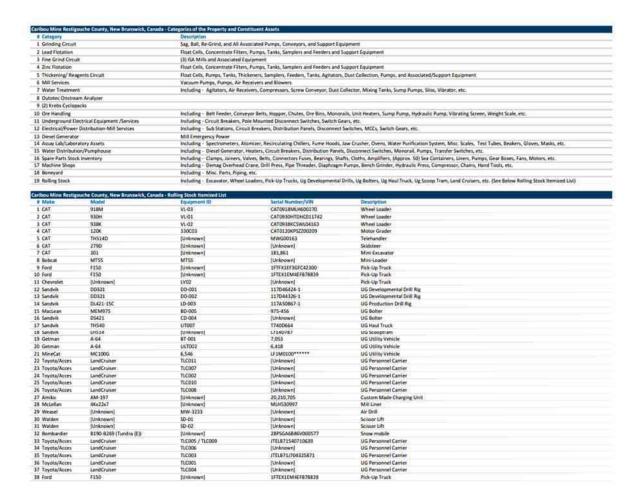
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SCHEDULE A

Receivership Process Assets

Section A.1 - Equipment & Machinery



Section A.2 - Contracts

Nil

Section A.3 – Transferred Intellectual Property

Nil

SCHEDULE B

Real Property Assets

Section B.1 – Leased Real Property

- a. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060027) over the lands identified as apparent PID 50237924.
- Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158) (or any replacement surface lease/crown lands lease thereof) over the lands identified as apparent PID 50252766.

Section B.2 - Mineral Titles

- a. Mining Lease No. ML-246.
- b. Mining Lease No. ML-255 (or any replacement mining lease thereof).
- Mineral claim 7403 owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. forming part of the Restigouche Mine.
- d. All mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. including Mining Claims 334950 to 334969, 334972 to 334977, 334980 to 34986, also known as mineral claim 1773 (Woodside Brook) representing some thirty three (33) mining claims.

Section B.3 – Real Property

a. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032.

Section B.4 - Permits and Licences

All agreements, licenses, permits, approvals, consents, registrations, certificates and other authorizations issued or held by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. in connection with the Mines and/or the Business, including the following:

- a. Caribou Approval to Operate I-11977, issued by DELG;
- b. Petroleum Storage Site License 7313;
- c. Licencing for radiation devices from Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission #12086-2-22.9;
- d. Industry Canada radio spectrum license, for VHF / UHF (licence number TBC);
- e. Restigouche Approval to Operate I-11978;
- f. Petroleum Storage Site License 4327; and

g. Purchaser's Permit (Mining/Quarrying), if required.

Schedule 3.2 - Excluded Assets

means all rights, interests and assets of the Vendor and TNB, other than the Assets, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (a) all contracts of the Vendor and TNB that are not listed in Schedule A; (b) all cash, amounts on deposit or in possession of any bank or other depository institution, term deposits, and similar cash property of the Vendor or TNB; (c) amounts due to TNB; (d) the claim of TNB as against Glencore Corporation Canada or any of its affiliates in relation to amounts payable on account of GST/HST, and any amounts paid in connection with such claim; (e) all of the Vendor's correspondence and file material, including, without limitation, correspondence to and from the Vendor's legal counsel; (f) accounts, valuations and any other records or reports generated by the Vendor as a result or in the context of the administration of the Receivership Proceedings; and (g) the right to use the name "Trevali New Brunswick" and all domain names of TNB.

Schedule 4.2 - Asset Allocation Schedule

Caribou Mine Lease-\$2,000,000

Resitigouche Mine Lease -\$500,000

Rolling stock, equipment and hard assets - \$1,999,999

Mill and building-\$2,000,000

Real Property - \$1

EXHIBIT A FORM OF APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER

[see attached]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, C. 57, AS AMENDED AND THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.N.B. 1981, C. B-9.1, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (SALE APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER)

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BEFORE) THE HONOURABLE MADAM)	[DD]/[MMM]/2024
) JUSTICE FITZPATRICK)	
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ON THE APPLICATION of FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacity as court-appointed receiver (in such capacity, the "Receiver") of certain assets, undertakings and properties of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("TNB"), coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the [-] day of [MONTH], 2024; AND ON HEARING John Sandrelli, counsel for the Receiver, and those other counsel listed on <u>Schedule "A"</u> hereto; AND UPON READING the material filed, including the [Third] Report of the Receiver dated [-], 2024 (the "Report"); AND pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3 as amended, the British Columbia *Supreme Court Civil Rules*, and the inherent jurisdiction of this Honourable Court;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that:

- 1. On the "Closing Date", as defined in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 27, 2024 (the "Sale Agreement") between the Receiver and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the "Purchaser"), a copy of which is attached as Appendix "A" to the Report, the definition of "Property", as set out in the Order of this Court granted January 9, 2023 (the "Receivership Order"), appointing the Receiver, is hereby expanded to include all of the assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, without any limitations. For greater certainty, the definition of "Property", as set out in the Receivership Order, shall include the Real Property Assets, as defined in the Sale Agreement.
- 2. The sale transaction (the "**Transaction**") contemplated by the Sale Agreement is hereby approved, and the Sale Agreement is commercially reasonable. The execution of the Sale Agreement by the Receiver is hereby authorized and approved, with such minor amendments to the Sale Agreement as the Receiver and the Purchaser may agree to, and the Receiver is hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for the completion of the Transaction and for the conveyance to the Purchaser of the assets described in the Sale Agreement (the "**Assets**").
- 3. This Order shall constitute the only authorization required by the Receiver to proceed with the Transaction, and that no shareholder or other approval shall be required in connection therewith, save for those authorizations contemplated in the Sale Agreement.
- 4. Upon delivery by the Receiver to the Purchaser of a certificate substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" hereto (the "Receiver's Certificate"), all of the TNB's right, title and interest in and to the Assets described in the Sale Agreement and listed on Schedule "C" hereto shall vest absolutely in the Purchaser in fee simple, free and clear of and from any and all security interests (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), hypothecs, mortgages, trusts or deemed trusts (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), liens, executions, levies, charges, debentures or other financial or monetary claims, whether or not they have attached or been perfected, registered or filed and whether secured, unsecured or otherwise (collectively, the "Claims") including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (i) any encumbrances or charges created by the Orders of this Court, including, but not limited to, the Order of this Court granted August 19, 2022, as amended and restated by the Order of this Court dated August 29, 2022, and the Receivership Order; (ii) all charges, security interests or claims evidenced by registrations pursuant to the Personal Property Security Act of British Columbia, the Personal Property Security Act of New Brunswick or any other personal property registry system; and (iii) those Claims listed on **Schedule "D"** hereto (all of which are collectively

referred to as the "Encumbrances"), and, for greater certainty, this Court orders that all of the Encumbrances affecting or relating to the Assets are hereby expunged and discharged as against the Assets.

- 5. Upon presentation for registration in the Land Registry of New Brunswick of a certified copy of this Order, together with a letter from the Receiver's counsel authorizing registration of this Order, the New Brunswick Registrar General of Land Titles is hereby directed to:
 - enter the Purchaser as the owner of the Real Property, as identified in Section B.3 of <u>Schedule "C"</u> hereto (the "Real Property"), together with all buildings and other structures, facilities and improvements located thereon and fixtures, systems, interests, licenses, rights, covenants, restrictive covenants, commons, ways, profits, privileges, rights, easements and appurtenances to the said hereditaments belonging, or with the same or any part thereof, held or enjoyed or appurtenant thereto, in fee simple in respect of the Real Property, and this Court declares that it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Court on investigation that the title of the Purchaser in and to the Real Property is a good, safe holding and marketable title and directs the New Brunswick Registrar General of Land Titles to register indefeasible title in favour of the Purchaser as aforesaid; and
 - (b) having considered the interest of third parties, to discharge, release, delete and expunge from title to the Real Property all of the registered Encumbrances.
- 6. For the purposes of determining the nature and priority of Claims, the net proceeds from the sale of the Assets shall stand in the place and stead of the Assets, and from and after the delivery of the Receiver's Certificate all Claims shall attach to the net proceeds from the sale of the Assets with the same priority as they had with respect to the Assets immediately prior to the sale, as if the Assets had not been sold and remained in the possession or control of the person having had possession or control immediately prior to the sale.
- 7. The Receiver is to file with the Court a copy of the Receiver's Certificate forthwith after delivery thereof.
- 8. Pursuant to Section 7(3)(c) of the Canada *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* or Section 18(10)(o) of the *Personal Information Protection Act* of British Columbia, the Receiver is hereby authorized and permitted to disclose and transfer to the Purchaser all human resources and payroll information in the company's

records pertaining to the TNB's past and current employees. The Purchaser shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and shall be entitled to use the personal information provided to it in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by TNB.

- 9. Subject to the terms of the Sale Agreement, vacant possession of the Assets, including any real property, shall be delivered by the Receiver to the Purchaser at 10:00 am PST on the Closing Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement).
- 10. The Receiver, with the consent of the Purchaser, shall be at liberty to extend the Target Closing Date and the Outside Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement) to such later date as those parties may agree without the necessity of a further Order of this Court.
- 11. Notwithstanding:
 - (a) these proceedings;
 - (b) any applications for a bankruptcy order in respect of TNB now or hereafter made pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* and any bankruptcy order issued pursuant to any such applications; and
 - (c) any assignment in bankruptcy made by or in respect of TNB,

the vesting of the Assets in the Purchaser pursuant to this Order shall be binding on any trustee in bankruptcy that may be appointed in respect of TNB and shall not be void or voidable by creditors of TNB, nor shall it constitute or be deemed to be a transfer at undervalue, fraudulent preference, assignment, fraudulent conveyance or other reviewable transaction under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, nor shall it constitute oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct pursuant to any applicable federal or provincial legislation.

General

12. THIS COURT REQUESTS the aid and recognition of other Canadian and foreign Courts, tribunal, regulatory or administrative bodies, including any Court or administrative tribunal of any federal or State Court or administrative body in the United States of America, Burkina Faso, Namibia and South Africa to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Order where required. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to TNB and the Receiver, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status

to the Receiver in any foreign proceeding, or to assist TNB and the Receiver and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

- 13. The Receiver or any other party have liberty to apply for such further or other directions or relief as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order.
- 14. Endorsement of this Order by counsel appearing on this application other than counsel for the Receiver is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY CONSENT:

Signature of John Sandrelli Lawyer for the Receiver		
	By the Court.	
	Registrar	

SCHEDULE "A"

LIST OF COUNSEL

Counsel Name	Party Represented
John Sandrelli	FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacity as court-appointed receiver of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd.

SCHEDULE "B"

FORM OF RECEIVER'S CERTIFICATE

No. S-226670 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, C. 57, AS AMENDED AND THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.N.B. 1981, C. B-9.1, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

RECEIVER'S CERTIFICATE

RECITALS:

- A. Pursuant to an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") dated January 9, 2023, as amended by an Order of the Court dated [-], 2024, FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as the "Receiver" of all of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd., including all proceeds thereof, pursuant to *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3 as amended.
- B. Unless otherwise stated herein, all capitalized terms in this Receiver's Certificate shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 27, 2024 (the "Sale Agreement") among the Receiver and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the "Purchaser"). All references to Purchaser herein shall include any permitted assignee, if any, of the Purchaser.
- C. Pursuant to an Order, dated [-], 2024 (the "Sale Approval Order"), among other things, the Court approved the Sale Agreement, and provided for the vesting in the Purchaser of all of the rights, title, and interest in and to the Assets, which vesting is to

be effective with respect to the Assets upon the Receiver filing a certificate confirming that the Closing has completed.

THE RECEIVER CERTIFIES the following:

- 1. The Purchaser has paid the Purchase Price in full in accordance with the Sale Agreement.
- 2. Each of the conditions to Closing as set out in the Sale Agreement has been satisfied or waived by the Vendor and/or the Purchaser, as applicable.
- 3. The Closing has completed.

This Certificate was executed by the Receiver at [Time] on [Date].

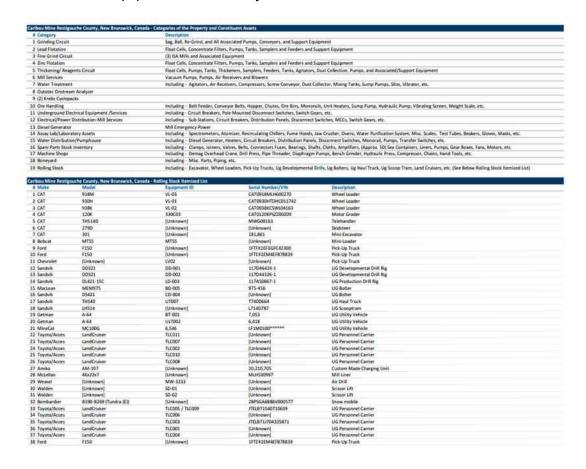
FTI Consulting Canada Inc., solely in its capacity as the Court-appointed Receiver of the assets, undertakings and property of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd., and not in its personal capacity

Per:			
	Name:		
	Title:		

SCHEDULE "C"

ASSETS

Section A.1 - Equipment & Machinery



Section A.2 - Contracts

Nil

Section A.3 – Transferred Intellectual Property

Nil

Section B.1 - Leased Real Property

a. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060027) over the lands identified as apparent PID 50237924.

b. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158) (or any replacement surface lease/crown lands lease thereof) over the lands identified as apparent PID 50252766.

Section B.2 – Mineral Titles

- a. Mining Lease No. ML-246.
- b. Mining Lease No. ML-255 (or any replacement mining lease thereof).
- c. Mineral claim 7403 owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. forming part of the Restigouche Mine.
- d. All mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. including Mining Claims 334950 to 334969, 334972 to 334977, 334980 to 34986, also known as mineral claim 1773 (Woodside Brook) representing some thirty three (33) mining claims.

Section B.3 – Real Property

a. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032.

Section B.4 – Permits and Licences

All agreements, licenses, permits, approvals, consents, registrations, certificates and other authorizations issued or held by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. in connection with the Mines and/or the Business, including the following:

- a. Caribou Approval to Operate I-11977, issued by DELG;
- b. Petroleum Storage Site License 7313;
- c. Licencing for radiation devices from Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission #12086-2-22.9;
- d. Industry Canada radio spectrum license, for VHF / UHF (licence number TBC);
- e. Restigouche Approval to Operate I-11978;
- f. Petroleum Storage Site License 4327; and
- g. Purchaser's Permit (Mining/Quarrying), if required.

SCHEDULE "D"

LISTED CLAIMS

[To be completed.]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

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PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER)

DENTONS CANADA LLP BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS 250 Howe Street, 20th Floor Vancouver, BC V6C 3R8 Phone No.: (604) 687-4460 Attention: Eamonn Watson

File No. 584476-9

EXHIBIT B

LIMITED ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY AGREEMENT - CARIBOU

This Agreement dated	as of [MONTH], 2024.
BETWEEN:	
	HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")
	- and –
	BATHURST METALLIC CORP. , a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("Bathurst Metallic")
	(each a "Party" and, together, the "Parties")
BACKGROUND	
claims and lea	(New Brunswick) Ltd. (" Trevali NB ") is the former owner of certain mining ases, including the Mining Lease (as hereinafter defined), relating to the and mill complex located near Bathurst, New Brunswick (the " Caribou
those mining	llic acquired ownership of the Caribou Mine including, without limitation, assets and claims described in Schedule A hereto, as a result of the ommenced by Trevali NB under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act
	llic desires to secure an agreement with the Minister in relation to the ertain historic environmental liabilities associated with the Caribou Mine;
of the obligation	eve resolved to enter into this Agreement to document their understanding ons of the Parties in relation to the allocation of environmental liabilities, d costs in relation to the Caribou Mine; and
E. The Minister Agreement.	r is duly authorized by Order-in-Council dated , 2024 made pursuant to section 6 of the Mining Act to enter into this

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained below and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1.0 **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless otherwise specified, the following terms shall have the following meaning:
 - i. "Agreement" means this agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - ii. "Historic Liabilities" means environmental liability and reclamation costs associated with the "Anaconda Tailings Area", the "Open Pit", the "Waste Rock Storage Area", and the G-Pond, as those terms are described in Section 5.6 of the June 4, 2012, version of the Reclamation Plan and for those amounts estimated in Table 8.1 of the Reclamation Plan
 - iii. "Mining Lease" means Mining Lease No. ML-246.
 - iv. "Reclamation Plan" means that certain report entitled "Program for the Protection, Reclamation, and Rehabilitation of the Environment" dated June 4, 2012, prepared by Stantec Consulting Ltd. and submitted by Trevali NB to, and approved by, the Minister, as amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

The use of defined terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Reclamation Plan.

2.0 BATHURST METALLIC RESPONSIBILITY

- 2.1 Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic agrees to be responsible for all environmental liability, of any kind, howsoever imposed, including reclamation work, rehabilitation work, remediation work and other environmental work of any nature or kind, arising out of ownership, exploration, development, production, or any other activities undertaken at or in connection with Caribou Mine, other than in respect to the Historic Liabilities.
- 2.2 Subject to Section 6.0 below, Bathurst Metallic shall also be responsible for one-fifth (1/5) of the cost for post closure long-term water treatment.

3.0 PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 The Parties agree that the Minister will be responsible for one hundred percent (100%) of the Historic Liabilities.
- 3.2 Subject to Section 6.0 below, the Minister shall also be responsible for four-fifths (4/5) of the costs for post closure long-term water treatment.

4.0 SURFACE WASTE ROCK DISPOSAL

4.1 Bathurst Metallic agrees to deploy its best efforts to use existing waste rock stored on the surface in the form of roads, containment dykes and waste dumps (hereinafter referred to as "Waste Rock") as backfill in the underground operations. Bathurst Metallic acknowledges the financial benefit it receives from utilizing Waste Rock as backfill in

- underground operations and agrees that it shall bear the entire cost and expense of the removal and placement of the Waste Rock underground.
- 4.2 Bathurst Metallic agrees to allow the Minister the option to store and dispose of Restigouche mine acid waste rock at the Caribou Mine site in a manner agreeable to Bathurst Metallic, in its sole discretion, and which does not (i) interfere with normal site operations or (ii) materially affect site water treatment or any final closure plan. Such Restigouche waste rock shall be the responsibility of the Minister.

5.0 PROGRESSIVE RECLAMATION

- 5.1 Bathurst Metallic acknowledges that the Minister intends to undertake a program of progressive reclamation to resolve the Historic Liabilities and agrees that the Minister, or its authorized representatives, shall have the right to enter upon the land owned, leased or occupied by Bathurst Metallic for the purpose of conducting environmental reclamation work, provided that such entry and activities do not unreasonably interfere with the normal and lawful operations of Caribou Mine.
- 5.2 The Minister shall provide reasonable advance notice to Bathurst Metallic of its intention to enter the premises for environmental reclamation work, specifying the nature and scope of the activities to be undertaken. Bathurst Metallic agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Minister to facilitate the timely and safe execution of the environmental reclamation work.
- 5.3 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Minister shall take all reasonable measures to minimize any disruption to Bathurst Metallic's operations. If Bathurst Metallic determines that the proposed environmental reclamation work would cause undue interference with its operations, the Minister and Bathurst Metallic shall work together in good faith to identify alternative measures or timeframes that address both the environmental concerns and the operational needs of Caribou Mine.

6.0 POST CLOSURE LONG-TERM WATER TREATMENT

- 6.1 Should on-going site water collection and treatment be required following reclamation of the Caribou Mine and related site facilities following the three (3) year monitoring period specified in the Reclamation Plan, the Parties hereby agree to share the collection and treatment costs. To this end, subject to section 6.4 below, Bathurst Metallic shall bear one-fifth (20%) of such total costs and the Minister shall bear four-fifths (80%) of such total costs. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Costs" incurred by the Minister shall include the costs only of environmental monitoring, collection and treatment of water and not the direct costs of persons, materials and equipment ordinarily employed by the Minister or other department or agency of the Crown in Right of the Province of New Brunswick performing tasks that are normally performed in the execution of their duties.
- 6.2 In order to evidence Bathurst Metallic's commitment to fund its share of the costs associated with post closure long-term water treatment, Bathurst Metallic agrees to make cash payments (hereinafter each a "Payment" and collectively, the "Payments") to the Minister. The Payments shall commence on the earlier of either the date Bathurst Metallic starts commercial production at the Caribou Mine or March 5, 2026, and thereafter on

each anniversary date of the aforementioned event. Each Payment shall be in the amount of One Million Five Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand and Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,585,400.00), up to a maximum aggregate sum of Seven Million Nine Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,927,000.00). Each Payment to the Minister shall be held in an interest-bearing trust account ("**Trust Account"**). All interest shall accrue to the account of Bathurst Metallic. The funds in the Trust Account shall be used solely to fund Bathurst Metallic's obligations described in this Agreement. Any amount of the Payments, if any, remaining following the completion of Bathurst Metallic's post closure long-term water treatment obligations shall be returned forthwith to Bathurst Metallic.

- 6.3 In the event the Reclamation Plan is amended, modified, or updated, the Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that the dollar value of the Payments and aggregate sum specified in section 6.2 will be automatically subject to an adjustment in accordance with the revised Annuity Payments for Long Term Water Treatment established in the amended, modified, or updated Reclamation Plan. For further clarity, the amounts specified in section 6.2 will be increased or decreased in accordance with any change to the total cost of the Annuity Payments for Long Term Water Treatment as established in the amended, modified, or updated Reclamation Plan.
- 6.4 In lieu of the cost sharing arrangement set out in section 6.1 above, should the Parties resolve to construct a new tailings dam ("New Tailings Dam") for the Caribou Mine as contemplated in section 6.6 of the Reclamation Plan, Bathurst Metallic and the Minister shall share the costs associated with such construction on an equal basis, provided the Minister's contribution does not exceed \$15,000,000.00. To this end, the Minister shall reimburse Bathurst Metallic one half (50%) of the costs of the construction of the New Tailings Dam on a go forward or as required basis, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$15,000,000.00, and any costs thereafter shall be the full responsibility of Bathurst Metallic. The Payments submitted by Bathurst Metallic and held in the Trust Account in accordance with section 6.2 above may be accessed for the purposes of Bathurst Metallic's share of the cost of construction of the New Tailings Dam if the Minister, in its sole discretion, deems that security for long-term water treatment is no longer required from Bathurst Metallic. The decision to proceed with the construction of a New Tailings Dam shall be based on a joint determination by both parties that it is necessary for the efficient management of the reclamation and rehabilitation of the Caribou Mine and shall be exercisable only upon the mutual written agreement between the Parties.

7.0 MISCELLANEOUS

Publicity: Except as required by law or as permitted by this Section 3.1, neither Party shall make, or directly or indirectly authorize any of their respective employees or representatives to make, any public comment, statement or communication with respect to, or otherwise disclose or permit the disclosure of the existence of discussions regarding a possible transaction between the Parties or any of the terms, conditions or other aspects of this Agreement, in each case without the prior written approval of the other Party, with the exception that Bathurst Metallic may reveal the existence and contents of this Agreement to potential investors who have previously signed a non-disclosure agreement in favour of Bathurst Metallic and for the benefit of the Minister. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 7.1, the Minister may, at its sole and absolute discretion, make a public announcement of the signing of this Agreement. The Minister will make reasonable efforts to give Bathurst Metallic the opportunity to comment on the text of the announcement before publishing it. Except as permitted above, neither Party shall make this Agreement

- public except to the extent required by law, in which case the Parties shall cooperate reasonably to limit any such disclosure to the extent permitted by law.
- 7.2 Relationship of the Parties: The Parties hereby disclaim any intention to create by this Agreement any partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship between them. This Agreement shall not be construed or considered as creating any such partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship, or as constituting any Party as the agent or legal representative of the other Parties for any purpose nor to permit any Party to enter into agreements or incur any obligations for or on behalf of the other Parties.
- 7.3 **Appropriation**: No payment is to be made by the Minister under this Agreement in any fiscal year unless an appropriation against which the payment is to be charged is made in the same fiscal year.
- 7.4 **Regulatory Authority:** Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prohibit, restrict or affect the right or power of, or compel, the Legislative Assembly of *New Brunswick* to enact any laws or its cabinet to enact regulations and orders in council with respect to any area of law for which they have respective legislative jurisdiction. Furthermore, this Agreement does not operate as a permit, licence, approval or other statutory authority that Bathurst Metallic requires in order to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement, or to undertake care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as interfering with the exercise by the Minister, the Department of Environment and Local Government, the Government of the Province of New Brunswick or any of its agencies of any statutory power or duty.
- 7.5 Further Assurances: Each of the Parties shall, from time to time, do all such acts and things and execute and deliver, from time to time, all such further documents and assurances as may be reasonably necessary to carry out and give effect to the terms of this Agreement.
- 7.6 Severability: Any provision of this Agreement which is or becomes prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or impair the remaining provisions of this Agreement which shall be deemed severable from the prohibited or unenforceable provision and any prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable that provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 7.7 **Waiver:** No condonation, forgiveness, waiver or forbearance by the Minister of any non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement will operate as a waiver or estoppel by or against the Minister in respect of any term or condition or any subsequent non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any term or condition of this Agreement.
- 7.8 **Survival**: All provisions of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature are intended to survive the termination (however caused) of this Agreement, including covenants, warranties, guarantees, releases and indemnities, continue as valid and enforceable rights and obligations (as the case may be) of the Parties, notwithstanding any such termination, until they are satisfied in full or by their nature expire.
- 7.9 **No Third-Party Beneficiaries:** Except as otherwise provided herein or permitted hereby, this Agreement is not made for the benefit of any person not a party to this Agreement,

and no person other than the Parties or their respective successors and permitted assigns shall acquire or have any right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.

- 7.10 **Assignment:** Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, entitlements, duties or obligations arising from it may be assigned in whole or in part by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Party.
- 7.11 **Notice:** Any written notice or communication will be deemed to be given if delivered in a manner which permits the sender to prove delivery to the address of the recipient as set out below (or to any such other address the Parties may advise each other):

To the Minister:

Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre P.O. Box 6000 Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1 Canada

To Bathurst Metallic:

Bathurst Metallic Corp. 58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo NB E8K 3R8

Attention: Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

- 7.12 **Certain Rules of Interpretation:** In this Agreement, (i) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa (ii) headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement, (iii) unless otherwise indicated, references to a Section or Schedule followed by a number or letter refer to the specified Section or Schedule of this Agreement, (iv) the terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement taken as a whole and not to any particular Section or other portion of this Agreement, (v) the word "including" means "including without limitation", and (vi) amounts are in Canadian dollars.
- 7.13 **No Drafting Presumption:** The Parties acknowledge that their respective legal advisors have reviewed and participated in settling the terms of this Agreement and agree that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguity is to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not apply to the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 7.14 **Entire Agreement**: This Agreement read together with the Reclamation Plan shall constitute the entire agreement between the Parties hereto and supersedes any prior agreements between the Parties with respect to the subject matter herein.
- 7.15 **Conflict:** In the event of conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Reclamation Plan, the terms of the Reclamation Plan shall prevail.

- 7.16 **Amendment:** No amendment, supplement or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other agreements provided for or contemplated, nor any consent to any departure by the either Party, shall in any event be effective unless it shall be in writing and signed by the Parties and then such amendment, waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance for the specific purpose for which it has been given.
- 7.17 **Arbitration:** Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all questions, differences, claims and disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, the Reclamation Plan or the breach, termination or invalidity of this Agreement (collectively, a "Dispute") may be resolved by arbitration. The arbitration will be conducted by a single arbitrator. Any Party (the "Complainant") may initiate arbitration by giving written notice hereof to the other (the "Respondent") of the Complainant's desire to submit a Dispute to arbitration in accordance with this section (the "Complaint"). The Complaint shall describe with reasonable particularity the subject matter of the Dispute and shall nominate an arbitrator (the "Proposed Arbitrator"). The Proposed Arbitrator shall determine the Dispute unless, within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Complaint (the "Response Period"), the Respondent, by written notice to the Complainant, objects to the appointment of the Proposed Arbitrator. If, within the Response Period, the Respondent objects to the appointment of the Proposed Arbitrator and the Complainant and the Respondent do not otherwise agree on the appointment of an arbitrator, the arbitrator may be appointed by a judge of the Court of King's Bench of New Brunswick sitting in Fredericton, New Brunswick upon application of either Party. The arbitration will take place in Fredericton, New Brunswick and will be conducted in English. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 7.17, the arbitration will be governed by the Arbitration Act (New Brunswick). Unless the arbitrator otherwise determines, the fees of the arbitrator and the costs and expenses of the arbitration will be borne and paid equally by the Parties. To the extent not otherwise provided for in this Section 7.17, the procedure to be followed will be as agreed to by the Parties, or, in default of such agreement, as determined by the arbitrator. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding as between the Parties and there shall be no right of appeal of any kind. Judgment upon the award, including any interim award, rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The arbitration shall be kept confidential and the existence of the arbitration proceedings and any element of it (including but not limited to any pleadings, briefs or other documents submitted and exchanged and testimony or other oral submissions and any awards made) shall not be disclosed beyond the arbitrator, the Parties, their counsel and any person to whom disclosure is necessary to the conduct of the proceeding, except as may be lawfully required in judicial proceedings relating to the arbitration or otherwise.
- 7.18 **Governing Law:** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of New Brunswick and the applicable laws of Canada.
- 7.19 **Successors and Assigns**: This Agreement is binding upon and enures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 7.20 **Counterparts:** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one in the same instrument. Executed signature pages delivered by facsimile or electronic mail will be deemed for all purposes to be original counterparts of this Agreement.
- 7.21 **Lieutenant-Governor in Council Approval**: This Agreement will be effective only when it has been signed by all of the authorized signatories of the Parties and the Lieutenant-

Governor in Council has approved the Minister's execution and delivery of this Agreement (the "Effective Date").

[The remainder of this page is left intentionally blank. Signature page to follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have each caused this Agreement to be duly executed.

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.,

Name: Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng.

Title: President

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Name: Hon. Mike Holland

Title: Minister of Natural Resources and

Energy Development

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

AFFIDAVIT OF CORPORATE EXECUTION

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Schedule "A"

Bathurst Metallic Corp. holds one hundred percent (100%) right, title and interest in all agreements, licences, permits, approvals, consents, regulations, certificates and other authorizations in connection with the mining and milling operations related to:

- 1. Mining Lease No: ML-246
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No: SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease No. 415060027)
- 3. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032;
- 4. All right, title and interest in and to all additional exploration properties (with the exception of any such properties that related to Industrial Surface Lease No: SIML 2473 or Mining Lease No. ML-255) that were previously owned by, or under option, to Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. as of _______.
- 5. All right, title and interest in all mining claims that were previously owned by, or under option, to Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. as of ______.

Schedule "B" Reclamation Plan [to be attached]

EXHIBIT C

LIMITED ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY AGREEMENT- RESTIGOUCHE

This Agr	reement dated	as of day of [MONTH], 2024.
BETWE	EN:	
	I	HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")
	-	- and –
	F	BATHURST METALLIC CORP. , a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("Bathurst Metallic")
	((each a " <i>Party</i> " and, together, the "Parties")
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and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby

1.0 DEFINITIONS

acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.1 In this Agreement, unless otherwise defined elsewhere, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
 - i. "Agreement" means this agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - ii. "Industrial Surface Lease" means Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158).
 - iii. "Mining Lease" means Mining Lease No. ML- 255.
 - iv. "**Province**" means His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development.
 - v. "Reclamation Plan" means that certain report entitled "Program for the Protection, Reclamation, and Rehabilitation of the Environment" dated June 1, 2015 prepared by Stantec Consulting Ltd. and submitted by Trevali NB to, and approved by, the Minister, as amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time, a copy of which Reclamation Plan is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

The use of defined terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Reclamation Plan.

2.0 RECLAMATION PLAN AND ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY

- 2.1 This Agreement incorporates by reference the entirety of the Reclamation Plan and each party agrees to abide by and fulfill all obligations outlined therein. By executing this Agreement, the Parties acknowledge having reviewed and understood the contents of the Reclamation Plan and agree to be bound by its terms, descriptions, contemplated actions, and allocation of responsibility including:
 - a) the Re Opening Plan as described in Section 4.2;
 - b) the Reclamation Activities Required by Trevali NB as described in Section 5.1;
 - c) the Reclamation Activities Required by the Province as described in Section 5.2;
 - d) the Post Closure Monitoring and Treatment described in Section 8.0 including, without limitation:
 - (i) Post Closure Activities required by Trevali NB as described in Section 8.1;
 - (ii) Post Closure Activities required by the Province as described in Section 8.2;
 - e) The Reclamation Cost Estimates described in Section 10 including, the estimated Closure Costs and Post Closure Water Treatment Costs to be borne by the Province set out in Table 10.1 and 10.2, respectively and the estimated Closure Costs to be borne by Trevali NB after the conclusion of Underground Operations set out in Table 10.3.

- 2.2 Bathurst Metallic hereby assumes and agrees to to be responsible for all environmental liability, of any kind, howsoever imposed, including reclamation work, rehabilitation work, remediation work and other environmental work of any nature or kind, allocated to Trevali NB in the Reclamation Plan and further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Minister from any claims, damages, losses, or liabilities arising out of or in connection with the responsibilities assumed by Bathurst Metallic under this agreement.
- 2.3 The Parties covenant and agree to use their respective best efforts to fulfill all covenants and obligations described in the Reclamation Plan applicable to such Party and that each Party shall be responsible, from and after the Effective Date, for all liabilities and costs applicable to such Party as described in the Reclamation Plan.

3.0 MISCELLANEOUS

- 3.1 Publicity: Except as required by law or as permitted by this Section 3.1, neither Party shall make, or directly or indirectly authorize any of their respective employees or representatives to make, any public comment, statement or communication with respect to, or otherwise disclose or permit the disclosure of the existence of discussions regarding a possible transaction between the Parties or any of the terms, conditions or other aspects of this Agreement, in each case without the prior written approval of the other Party, with the exception that Bathurst Metallic may reveal the existence and contents of this Agreement to potential investors who have previously signed a non-disclosure agreement in favour of Bathurst Metallic and for the benefit of the Minister. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 3.1, the Minister may, at its sole and absolute discretion, make a public announcement of the signing of this Agreement. The Minister will make reasonable efforts to give Bathurst Metallic the opportunity to comment on the text of the announcement before publishing it. Except as permitted above, neither Party shall make this Agreement public except to the extent required by law, in which case the Parties shall cooperate reasonably to limit any such disclosure to the extent permitted by law.
- 3.2 **Relationship of the Parties**: The Parties hereby disclaim any intention to create by this Agreement any partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship between them. This Agreement shall not be construed or considered as creating any such partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship, or as constituting any Party as the agent or legal representative of the other Parties for any purpose nor to permit any Party to enter into agreements or incur any obligations for or on behalf of the other Parties.
- 3.3 **Appropriation**: No payment is to be made by the Minister under this Agreement in any fiscal year unless an appropriation against which the payment is to be charged is made in the same fiscal year.
- 3.4 **Regulatory Authority:** Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prohibit, restrict or affect the right or power of, or compel, the Legislative Assembly of *New Brunswick* to enact any laws or its cabinet to enact regulations and orders in council with respect to any area of law for which they have respective legislative jurisdiction. Furthermore, this Agreement does not operate as a permit, licence, approval or other statutory authority that Bathurst Metallic requires in order to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement, or to undertake care and maintenance activities at Restigouche Mine. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as interfering with the exercise by the Minister, the

Department of Environment and Local Government, the Government of the Province of New Brunswick or any of its agencies of any statutory power or duty.

- 3.5 **Further Assurances**: Each of the Parties shall, from time to time, do all such acts and things and execute and deliver, from time to time, all such further documents and assurances as may be reasonably necessary to carry out and give effect to the terms of this Agreement.
- 3.6 **Severability**: Any provision of this Agreement which is or becomes prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or impair the remaining provisions of this Agreement which shall be deemed severable from the prohibited or unenforceable provision and any prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable that provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 3.7 **Waiver**: No condonation, forgiveness, waiver or forbearance by the Minister of any non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement will operate as a waiver or estoppel by or against the Minister in respect of any term or condition or any subsequent non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any term or condition of this Agreement.
- 3.8 **Survival**: All provisions of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature are intended to survive the termination (however caused) of this Agreement, including covenants, warranties, guarantees, releases and indemnities, continue as valid and enforceable rights and obligations (as the case may be) of the Parties, notwithstanding any such termination, until they are satisfied in full or by their nature expire.
- 3.9 **No Third-Party Beneficiaries:** Except as otherwise provided herein or permitted hereby, this Agreement is not made for the benefit of any person not a party to this Agreement, and no person other than the Parties or their respective successors and permitted assigns shall acquire or have any right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.
- 3.10 **Assignment:** Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, entitlements, duties or obligations arising from it may be assigned in whole or in part by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Party.
- 3.11 **Notice:** Any written notice or communication will be deemed to be given if delivered in a manner which permits the sender to prove delivery to the address of the recipient as set out below (or to any such other address the Parties may advise each other):

To the Minister:

Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre P.O. Box 6000 Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1 Canada

To Bathurst Metallic:

Bathurst Metallic Corp. 58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo NB E8K 3R8

Attention: Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

- 3.12 **Certain Rules of Interpretation:** In this Agreement, (i) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa (ii) headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement, (iii) unless otherwise indicated, references to a Section or Schedule followed by a number or letter refer to the specified Section or Schedule of this Agreement, (iv) the terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement taken as a whole and not to any particular Section or other portion of this Agreement, (v) the word "including" means "including without limitation", and (vi) amounts are in Canadian dollars.
- 3.13 **No Drafting Presumption:** The Parties acknowledge that their respective legal advisors have reviewed and participated in settling the terms of this Agreement and agree that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguity is to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not apply to the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 3.14 **Entire Agreement**: This Agreement read together with the Reclamation Plan shall constitute the entire agreement between the Parties hereto and supersedes any prior agreements between the Parties with respect to the subject matter herein.
- 3.15 **Conflict:** In the event of conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Reclamation Plan, the terms of the Reclamation Plan shall prevail.
- 3.16 **Amendment:** No amendment, supplement or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other agreements provided for or contemplated, nor any consent to any departure by the either Party, shall in any event be effective unless it shall be in writing and signed by the Parties and then such amendment, waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance for the specific purpose for which it has been given.
- 3.17 **Arbitration:** Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all questions, differences, claims and disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, the Reclamation Plan or the breach, termination or invalidity of this Agreement (collectively, a "Dispute") may be resolved by arbitration. The arbitration will be conducted by a single arbitrator. Any Party (the "Complainant") may initiate arbitration by giving written notice hereof to the other (the "Respondent") of the Complainant's desire to submit a Dispute to arbitration in accordance with this section (the "Complaint"). The Complaint shall describe with reasonable particularity the subject matter of the Dispute and shall nominate an arbitrator (the "Proposed Arbitrator"). The Proposed Arbitrator shall determine the Dispute unless, within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Complaint (the "Response Period"), the Respondent, by written notice to the Complainant, objects to the appointment of the Proposed Arbitrator. If, within the Response Period, the Respondent objects to the appointment of the Proposed Arbitrator and the Complainant and the Respondent do not otherwise agree on the appointment of an arbitrator, the arbitrator may be appointed by a judge of the Court of King's Bench of New Brunswick sitting in Fredericton, New Brunswick upon application of either Party. The arbitration will take place in Fredericton, New Brunswick and will be conducted in English. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 3.17, the arbitration will be governed by the Arbitration Act (New Brunswick). Unless the

arbitrator otherwise determines, the fees of the arbitrator and the costs and expenses of the arbitration will be borne and paid equally by the Parties. To the extent not otherwise provided for in this Section 3.17, the procedure to be followed will be as agreed to by the Parties, or, in default of such agreement, as determined by the arbitrator. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding as between the Parties and there shall be no right of appeal of any kind. Judgment upon the award, including any interim award, rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The arbitration shall be kept confidential and the existence of the arbitration proceedings and any element of it (including but not limited to any pleadings, briefs or other documents submitted and exchanged and testimony or other oral submissions and any awards made) shall not be disclosed beyond the arbitrator, the Parties, their counsel and any person to whom disclosure is necessary to the conduct of the proceeding, except as may be lawfully required in judicial proceedings relating to the arbitration or otherwise.

- 3.18 **Governing Law:** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of New Brunswick and the applicable laws of Canada.
- 3.19 **Successors and Assigns**: This Agreement is binding upon and enures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 3.20 **Counterparts:** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one in the same instrument. Executed signature pages delivered by facsimile or electronic mail will be deemed for all purposes to be original counterparts of this Agreement.
- 3.21 **Lieutenant-Governor in Council Approval**: This Agreement will be effective only when it has been signed by all of the authorized signatories of the Parties and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved the Minister's execution and delivery of this Agreement (the "**Effective Date**").

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have each caused this Agreement to be duly executed.

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.,

Name: Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng.

Title: President

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Name: Hon. Mike Holland

Title: Minister of Natural Resources and

Energy Development

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

AFFIDAVIT OF CORPORATE EXECUTION

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Schedule "A"

Bathurst Metallic Corp. holds one hundred percent (100%) right, title and interest in all agreements, licences, permits, approvals, consents, regulations, certificates and other authorizations in connection with the mining and milling operations related to:

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-255 (or any replacement mining lease thereof);
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158) (or any replacement surface lease/crown lands lease thereof); and
- 3. Mineral Claim 7403.

Schedule "B"

[Insert Copy of Stantec Reclamation Plan]

EXHIBIT D

FUNDING AGREEMENT

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BETWEEN:

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")

- and -

BATHURST METALLIC CORP., a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("**Bathurst Metallic**")

(each, a "Party", and together, the "Parties")

BACKGROUND

- A. As a result of the insolvency of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd., the Minister, since January 25, 2023, has undertaken care and maintenance activities at the Caribou mine and mill complex (the "Caribou Mine"), the Restigouche Mine (the "Restigouche Mine"), and the Halfmile Mine (the "Halfmile Mine"), all located near Bathurst, New Brunswick.
- B. Bathurst Metallic has acquired ownership of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including those mining assets and claims described in Schedule "A" hereto, as a result of the proceedings commenced by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (Canada);
- C. The Minister is committed to the responsible management of mines and minerals within the Province of New Brunswick and recognizes the importance of an orderly hand off of care and maintenance responsibilities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, as well as the continued development of those resources:
- D. Bathurst Metallic acknowledges its responsibility for the care and maintenance of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine and welcomes the Government's support in achieving the common goal of an orderly hand off and responsible resource management;
- E. The Parties have resolved to enter into this Agreement to formalize the terms and conditions governing the Minister's interim funding of Bathurst Metallic's care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine; and

F.	The Minister is duly authorized by Order-in-Council	dated
	, 2024 made pursuant to section 6 of the Mining Act to	enter
	into this Agreement.	

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained below and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1.0 DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 **Defined Terms**: In this Agreement, unless otherwise specified, the following terms shall have the following meaning:
 - "Agreement" means this Agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - ii. "Applicable Law" means all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, by-laws, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations and directives.
 - iii. "Assets" means those mining assets and claims described in Schedule "A".
 - iv. "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or statutory holiday under the applicable laws of Canada or New Brunswick.
 - v. "Care and Maintenance Activities" means the work, tasks and procedures undertaken to preserve, safeguard, and sustain mining infrastructure, equipment, facilities, and the environment during a period when active production has been temporarily halted, including those activities described in Schedule "B".
 - vi. "Care and Maintenance Account" means the bank account established by Bathurst Metallic in accordance with section 4.1.
 - vii. "Confidential Information" means all information relating to the disclosing Party which is supplied by or on behalf of the disclosing Party (whether before or after the date of this Agreement), either in writing, orally or in any other form, directly or indirectly from or pursuant to discussions with the Recipient or which is obtained through observations made by the Recipient. "Confidential Information" also includes all analyses, compilations, studies and other documents whether prepared by or on behalf of a Party which contain or otherwise reflect or are derived from such information.
 - viii. "Dispute" means any dispute, controversy or claim of any kind whatsoever arising from, connected with or relating to this Agreement, including the interpretation of the terms hereof or any applicable law that affects this Agreement, or the transactions contemplated herein, or the breach, termination or validity hereof.
 - ix. **"Financial Assistance**" means the funding provided to Bathurst Metallic by the Minister in accordance with section 3.0 of this Agreement.
 - x. "Milestone" means any of the eight (8) milestones described in the Milestone Schedule.

- xi. "Milestone Payment Certificate" means a certificate in the form attached hereto as Schedule "D" which identifies the Milestone in respect of which it is being submitted, and requests payment of the applicable Milestone Payment.
- xii. "Milestone Payment Date" means, with respect to any Milestone, the day which is fifteen (15) Business Days after the later of (i) the day upon which the Milestone Payment Certificate in respect thereof is received by the Minister and (ii) the day all conditions for payment of the applicable Milestone Payment have been satisfied.
- xiii. "Milestone Payments" means the instalment payments, set out in the Milestone Schedule, which are to be paid to Bathurst Metallic following achievement of each Milestone and the satisfaction of the conditions of payment therefor, and "Milestone Payment" means any one of them.
- xiv. "Milestone Period" means the period of time between a particular Milestone and the subsequent Milestone as outlined in the Milestone Schedule.
- xv. "Milestone Schedule" means Schedule "C" attached to and forming part of this Agreement.
- xvi. "Mining Leases" means, collectively, the mining leases identified as ML-246 (Caribou Mine), ML-255 (Restigouche Mine), and ML-261 (Halfmile Mine) issued under the provisions of the Mining Act, SNB 1985, c M-14.1.
- xvii. "Uncontrollable Circumstance" means any circumstance, act or event beyond the reasonable control of a Party, including an act of God or public enemy, blockade, civil commotion, war, fire, pandemic, epidemic, and stop work order or injunction issued by a court or public authority having jurisdiction, which despite the reasonable efforts of the Party claiming relief to prevent its occurrence or moderate its effects, causes a delay or disruption in the performance of any obligation under this Agreement.

2.0 OBLIGATIONS OF BATHURST METALLIC

- 2.1 **Assistance Period**: Bathurst Metallic agrees to assume responsibility for Care and Maintenance Activities for Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine from the Minister starting on June 1, 2024, or upon the date a court order is issued vesting ownership of the Assets in Bathurst Metallic, whichever occurs later (the "Handover Date"). Immediately following the Handover Date, the Minister will provide assistance to Bathurst Metallic for a period of ten (10) Calendar Days (the "Assistance Period"), including the transfer of relevant information, knowledge transfer sessions, and on-site support to ensure a smooth transition. Both Parties agree to cooperate and collaborate in good faith during the Assistance Period to facilitate an orderly and effective handover.
- 2.2 **Care and Maintenance Activities:** Immediately following the Assistance Period, Bathurst Metallic shall be solely responsible for, and will proceed diligently and continuously with, the Care and Maintenance Activities.
- 2.3 **Milestone Schedule**: Bathurst Metallic shall carry out the Care and Maintenance Activities in strict compliance with Applicable Law and will diligently pursue and complete the Milestones described in the Milestone

- Schedule. Bathurst Metallic shall immediately notify the Minister of any circumstance that could result in significant delays to the Milestone Schedule.
- 2.4 **Taxes**: Bathurst Metallic shall pay from the Care and Maintenance Account all federal, provincial and local taxes, duties, utilities, charges, rates, fees and levies due with respect to Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine and the Care and Maintenance Activities.
- 2.5 **GAAP:** Bathurst Metallic shall adhere to generally accepted accounting principles with respect to all activities and transactions under this Agreement.
- 2.6 Access to Records: Bathurst Metallic authorizes the Minister and its authorized representatives to inspect, upon reasonable prior notice, its books, registers and records, wherever they may be located, in order to verify that such accounts and documents reflect all undertakings, agreements and projects related to this Agreement.
- 2.7 **Commitments**: Without limiting any of the obligations of Bathurst Metallic under this Agreement:
 - i. Bathurst Metallic shall carry out the Care and Maintenance Activities; and
 - ii. where possible in terms of cost, quality and availability, Bathurst Metallic shall use New Brunswick goods and services in relation to the Care and Maintenance Activities where such Care and Maintenance Activities are paid for from the funds provided by the Minister to Bathurst Metallic pursuant to **Section 3.0**.
- 2.8 **Financial Affairs**: Bathurst Metallic authorizes the Minister and the Minister's representatives to discuss the affairs of Bathurst Metallic as they relate to the Care and Maintenance Activities and the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister with Bathurst Metallic's auditors, lawyers, insurers or bankers.
- 2.9 **Indemnity:** Bathurst Metallic shall forever release, discharge, indemnify and save harmless the Minister and the Minister's representatives, contractors, servants and employees, and each of them, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, of, from and against any and all action or actions, cause or causes of action, claims, demands, causes, suits, debts, liabilities, damages, losses, expenses, obligations or commitments of whatsoever nature or kind arising out of, from, as result of, or in any way connected with the Care and Maintenance Activities and the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister under this Agreement.
- 2.10 **Reporting Obligations**: In addition to the Milestone Payment Certificates required under section 3.2 of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic shall provide the Minister, concomitant with the submission of each Milestone Payment Certificate (or more frequently if requested by Minister), a written report in a format approved by the Minister setting forth:
 - i. planning and progress data, including Milestone Schedule considerations throughout the term of this Agreement;
 - ii. a description of work performed in the Milestone Period, including any significant achievements or developments;

- iii. summary of costs incurred in the applicable Milestone Period and in total for the Care and Maintenance Activities under this Agreement;
- iv. a work plan and spending estimate for the following Milestone Period;
- v. a copy of any correspondence with, or report issued to, the Department of Environment and Local Government;
- vi. any occurrences, omissions or developments that could have a material adverse effect on Bathurst Metallic or its interests in the development of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, and Halfmile Mine, or in the Care and Maintenance Activities; and
- vii. such additional information as the Minister may request.

3.0 OBLIGATIONS OF THE MINISTER

- 3.1 **Financial Assistance:** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Minister will provide the Milestone Payments to Bathurst Metallic in accordance with the Milestone Schedule attached hereto as Schedule "C".
- 3.2 Payment Certificates: When Bathurst Metallic believes it has achieved a Milestone, Bathurst Metallic shall submit the applicable Milestone Payment Certificate (in the form attached as Schedule "D") to the Minister. The Minister shall have fifteen (15) Business Days following receipt of a Milestone Payment Certificate to provide written notice (a "Milestone Deficiency Notice") to Bathurst Metallic detailing any matters that are required to be performed by Bathurst Metallic in order to achieve the applicable Milestone or satisfy any conditions of payment with respect thereto. In the event the Minister issues a Milestone Deficiency Notice, Bathurst Metallic shall proceed to rectify the deficiencies described therein. Following such rectification, Bathurst Metallic shall re-submit a Milestone Payment Certificate in respect of the applicable Milestone and this section 3.2 shall apply again, *mutatis mutandis*. In the event the Minister does not issue a Milestone Deficiency Notice, the Minister shall, subject to the provisions of this Agreement, make the applicable Milestone Payment to Bathurst Metallic on the Milestone Payment Date.
- 3.3 **Invoice:** Concomitant with the submission of each Milestone Payment Certificate, Bathurst Metallic will submit an invoice to Service New Brunswick for the applicable Milestone Payment (the "**Invoice**"). Invoices must be submitted in strict adherence to the requirements specified in Service New Brunswick's invoicing guidelines. Both parties agree that invoices shall be paid as soon as possible, once required conditions of payment have been verified, in accordance with Section 3.2.
- 3.4 **Conditions for Milestone Payments:** The obligation of the Minister to make any Milestone Payment hereunder is subject to the following conditions:
 - i. the Minister shall have received a Milestone Payment Certificate and Invoice within the time limit provided therefor;
 - ii. the Minister shall have undertaken the review contemplated by Section 3.2, the applicable time period shall have elapsed, and the Minister shall not have issued a Milestone Deficiency Notice;

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- iii. the Minister shall have received any information or documentation it may have requested from Bathurst Metallic in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and
- iv. Bathurst Metallic is not otherwise in default of any covenant or obligation contained in this Agreement, or under any other agreement which Bathurst Metallic may have entered into with or granted to the Minister, including the Limited Environmental Liability Agreements executed for Caribou Mine and Restigouche Mine.
- 3.5 Acknowledgements of Bathurst Metallic Milestone Payments: Bathurst Metallic acknowledges and agrees as follows with respect to the Milestone Payments:
 - i. the Minister will have no obligation to make a Milestone Payment:
 - (i) until this Agreement and each of the other documents and agreements required by the Minister in connection with this Agreement have been duly signed, sealed and delivered;
 - unless all work required to achieve the Milestone in respect of which Milestone Payment is sought has been totally completed;
 and
 - (iii) while Bathurst Metallic is in default under this agreement or under any other agreement which Bathurst Metallic may have entered into with or granted to the Minister, including the Limited Environmental Liability Agreements executed for Caribou Mine and Restigouche Mine.
 - ii. the Minister shall have no obligation to make any partial Milestone Payments:
 - iii. without limiting anything else herein contained, neither the failure of the Minister to issue any Milestone Deficiency Notice nor the making of any Milestone Payment by the Minister shall constitute a waiver of any condition precedent or be regarded as a representation or acknowledgement by or on behalf of the Minister that there has been or will be compliance by Bathurst Metallic with the terms and conditions of this Agreement or applicable law; and
 - iv. payment of any Milestone Payment is without prejudice to the rights of the Minister in connection with this Agreement.

4.0 ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS

4.1 **Care and Maintenance Account**: Bathurst Metallic shall establish and continue to maintain an account (the "Care and Maintenance Account") at a branch of a Schedule I Canadian chartered bank in Bathurst, New Brunswick, which shall be used solely to hold the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister, and to pay the costs of Care and Maintenance Activities, as provided in this Agreement.

4.2 Use of Funds: Bathurst Metallic covenants and agrees that the Financial Assistance, and all advances made by the Minister in respect thereof, shall be exclusively utilized by Bathurst Metallic for the explicit purpose of covering expenses directly associated with the Care and Maintenance Activities. Any diversion or application of said funds for purposes other than those delineated herein is strictly prohibited.

5.0 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 5.1 Bathurst Metallic represents and warrants to and covenants with the Minister that:
 - it is incorporated under the laws of New Brunswick, and is and throughout the term of this Agreement will remain a duly organized and validly existing corporation;
 - ii. it has, and will at all relevant times have, the power and capacity to enter into this Agreement and to observe, perform and comply with the terms of this Agreement;
 - iii. it has duly authorized this Agreement by all necessary corporate action and has legally and properly executed this Agreement, which constitutes a valid, subsisting and legally binding obligation upon it which is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and other laws of general application limiting the enforceability of creditors' rights, and to the fact that specific performance and injunctive relief are equitable remedies available only in the discretion of the court;
 - iv. it has no knowledge of any fact that materially adversely affects or, so far as it can foresee, might materially adversely affect its properties, assets, condition (financial or otherwise), business or operations or its ability to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement;
 - v. the observance and performance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement do not and will not constitute a breach by it of or a default by it under:
 - (i) to its knowledge, having made due and diligent inquiry, any law applicable to or binding upon it;
 - (ii) its articles, by-laws or other constating documents; or
 - (iii) any contract or agreement to which it is a party;
 - vi. it is not a party to and has no knowledge of any claim or proceeding against it that would materially affect its undertaking or financial condition or its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement; and
 - vii. it holds, and will throughout the term of this Agreement hold and maintain in good standing, all permits, licences, consents and authorities issued by any federal, provincial, regional or municipal government, or an agency of any of them, and has given all notices, that are necessary in connection with its operations and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, including the Care and Maintenance Activities, and completion of the Milestones.

6.0 TERM AND TERMINATION

- 6.1 **Term**: The term of this Agreement commences on the Effective Date and will terminate upon the first to occur of:
 - i. termination by mutual written agreement of the Parties;
 - ii. complete performance and discharge of all obligations and responsibilities of the Parties under this Agreement; or
 - iii. termination pursuant to **Section 6.2**.
- 6.2 **Termination by Minister**: The Minister may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to Bathurst Metallic upon the occurrence any of the following events:
 - i. if Bathurst Metallic fails to perform or observe any covenant or obligation contained in this Agreement, including failure to complete the Milestones described in the Milestone Schedule by the prescribed dates, and does not cure such failure within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of notice of the failure from the Minister;
 - ii. if Bathurst Metallic fails to make payment when due of any undisputed amount owing to employees, consultants, lessors, licensors, service providers or other third parties in connection with the Care and Maintenance Activities;
 - iii. if Bathurst Metallic ceases or threatens to cease to carry on or to continue to carry on Care and Maintenance Activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, or Halfmile Mine;
 - iv. if any information, representation, warranty, certificate, statement or report given or made by or on behalf of Bathurst Metallic to the Minister or to any of its representatives in or in connection with this Agreement is false, erroneous or misleading in any material respect;
 - v. if Bathurst Metallic becomes insolvent or bankrupt or subject to the provisions of the *Winding-Up Act* (Canada) or the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) or equivalent legislation or goes into liquidation, either voluntarily or under an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors or otherwise acknowledges itself insolvent;
 - vi. if Bathurst Metallic abandons all or any part of its undertaking and property and assets or threatens to commit any act of bankruptcy;
 - vii. if the Minister, in good faith, believe that the ability of Bathurst Metallic to pay any of its obligations or to perform any of the covenants contained in this Agreement is impaired;
 - viii. if Bathurst Metallic shall permit any amount which has been admitted as due by it or is not disputed to be due by it and forms or is capable of being made a charge on any of the property and assets of Bathurst Metallic to remain unpaid for ten (10) days after the amounts are due; or

- ix. if any order for seizure or sale, execution, or any other process of any court becomes enforceable against Bathurst Metallic or if a distress or analogous process is levied on the property and assets of Bathurst Metallic.
- 6.3 **Obligations on Termination:** Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.1 or 6.2:
 - all costs incurred by Bathurst Metallic on and after the effective date of termination in respect of the Care and Maintenance Activities will be for the sole account of Bathurst Metallic;
 - ii. without limiting any other remedies the Minister may have, Bathurst Metallic shall refund to the Minister any unexpended funds provided by the Minister and remaining in the Care and Maintenance Account at the time of termination, except that such funds may be used to pay incurred amounts approved by the Minister and payable for goods and services received by Bathurst Metallic prior to the effective date of termination for which payment has not yet been made.
- 6.4 **Surrender of Mining Leases**: Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.2:
 - i. Bathurst Metallic will surrender the Mining Leases in accordance with the provisions of the *Mining Act*, SNB 1985, c M-14.1, as amended from time to time. Concomitant with the execution of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic will execute and deliver to the Minister an Irrevocable Power of Attorney appointing the Minister as Bathurst Metallic's Attorney with full authority to execute any and all documents required to surrender the Mining Leases in the event of termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.2. The Power of Attorney will be in a form satisfactory to the Minister's solicitor, and a determination of whether any of the events listed in section 6.2 have occurred will be in the sole discretion of the Minister and will be binding on Bathurst Metallic.

7.0 CONFIDENTIALITY

- 7.1 Confidence: Each Party (the "Recipient") will hold in confidence any Confidential Information, provided that the provisions of this Section 7.0 will not restrict any Party from passing such information to its professional advisors, provided such advisors are subject to similar confidentiality obligations, to the extent necessary, to enable it to perform (or to cause to be performed) or to enforce its rights or obligations under this Agreement, and provided further that the Recipient may, subject to obtaining confidentiality restrictions similar to those set out in this Agreement, provide to its contractors documents and other information which are necessary for the Recipient's performance of this Agreement.
- 7.2 The obligation to maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information does not apply to Confidential Information:
 - i. which the disclosing Party confirms in writing is not required to be treated as Confidential Information;

- ii. which is or comes into the public domain otherwise than through any disclosure prohibited by this Agreement;
- iii. to the extent either party is required to disclose such Confidential Information by Applicable Law, provided that such Party will take all reasonable steps to limit such disclosure and any subsequent disclosure of such Confidential Information.
- 7.3 **Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act**: Bathurst Metallic acknowledges that all information relating to this Agreement that is in the custody or control of the Minister is subject to the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (New Brunswick), under which the Minister may be required to disclose certain information.

8.0 UNCONTROLLABLE CIRCUMSTANCE

- 8.1 **Uncontrollable Circumstance**: Despite any other provision of this Agreement, if, because of an Uncontrollable Circumstance, either Party (the "Affected Party") is prevented from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement (the "Affected Obligations"), it will be relieved of the Affected Obligations to the extent, and for the duration, of the Uncontrollable Circumstance if the Affected Party:
 - i. within five (5) Business Days of becoming aware of the Uncontrollable Circumstance gives written notice to the other Party describing the Affected Obligations and nature and expected duration of the Uncontrollable Circumstance; and
 - ii. takes commercially reasonable steps to mitigate the consequences of the Uncontrollable Circumstance and continues to perform the Affected Obligations to the extent possible.
- 8.2 **Termination:** the Affected Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resume as soon as possible the performance of any obligation affected by an Uncontrollable Circumstance. The Minister may terminate the Agreement if the event of an Uncontrollable Circumstance is expected to exceed a period of thirty (30) days.

9.0 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 9.1 **Informal Dispute Resolution**: The Parties will attempt in good faith to resolve any Dispute relating to this Agreement informally. Upon the request of any Party, a Dispute will immediately be referred to the following representatives of the Parties for resolution by them:
 - i. the President of Bathurst Metallic Corp.
 - ii. The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development
- 9.2 **Arbitration**: If, for any reason, the Dispute has not been resolved as provided in Section 9.1 either Party may provide written notice to the other Party that the Dispute will be resolved by referral to a final and binding arbitration between the Parties pursuant to the *Arbitration Act* (New Brunswick). The arbitration will be conducted by a single arbitrator, the place of arbitration will be Fredericton, New Brunswick, and the language of the arbitration will be English. If the parties cannot agree upon the appointment of the single arbitrator within ten (10)

Business Days of receipt of the notice to arbitrate, either Party may apply to the Court of King's Bench of New Brunswick, to appoint same. The arbitration will be completed within forty-five (45) calendar days after the appointment of the arbitrator. The decision and any award of the arbitrator, including their decision as to the costs of the arbitration and who will bear same, will be final and binding on the Parties and there will be no appeal therefrom.

- 9.3 **Time:** The time limits referred to in this Section 9.0 may be abridged or extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.
- 9.4 **Without Prejudice Negotiations:** Any discussions and negotiations related to the attempted resolution of a Dispute pursuant to this Section 9.0 shall be confidential and treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for the purposes of evidentiary rules.
- 9.5 **Settlement Agreements**: No agreement achieved under this Section 9.0 will be binding on either Party unless set forth in a written agreement duly executed by both Parties.
- 9.6 **Care and Maintenance**: Notwithstanding any Dispute between the Parties, the Care and Maintenance Activities will continue and Bathurst Metallic will continue complying with its obligations under this Agreement until the dispute has been resolved or arbitrated.

10.0 MISCELLANEOUS

- 10.1 **Publicity**: Except as required by law or as permitted by this Section 0, neither Party shall make, or directly or indirectly authorize any of their respective employees or representatives to make, any public comment, statement or communication with respect to, or otherwise disclose or permit the disclosure of the existence of discussions regarding a possible transaction between the Parties or any of the terms, conditions or other aspects of this Agreement, in each case without the prior written approval of the other Party, with the exception that Bathurst Metallic may reveal the existence and contents of this Agreement to potential investors who have previously signed a non-disclosure agreement in favour of Bathurst Metallic and for the benefit of the Minister. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 10.1, the Minister may make a public announcement of the signing of this Agreement. The Minister, as the case may be, will make reasonable efforts to give Bathurst Metallic the opportunity to comment on the text of the announcement before publishing it. Except as permitted above, neither Party shall make this Agreement public except to the extent required by law, in which case the Parties shall cooperate reasonably to limit any such disclosure to the extent permitted by law.
- 10.2 Relationship of the Parties: The Parties hereby disclaim any intention to create by this Agreement any partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship between them. This Agreement shall not be construed or considered as creating any such partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship, or as constituting any Party as the agent or legal representative of the other Parties for any purpose nor to permit any Party to enter into agreements or incur any obligations for or on behalf of the other Parties.

- 10.3 **Appropriation**: No payment is to be made by the Minister under this Agreement in any fiscal year unless an appropriation against which the payment is to be charged is made in the same fiscal year.
- 10.4 **Regulatory Authority**: Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prohibit, restrict or affect the right or power of, or compel, the Legislative Assembly of *New Brunswick* to enact any laws or its cabinet to enact regulations and orders in council with respect to any area of law for which they have respective legislative jurisdiction. Furthermore, this Agreement does not operate as a permit, licence, approval or other statutory authority that Bathurst Metallic requires in order to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement to undertaken Care and Maintenance Activities of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as interfering with the exercise by the Minister, the Department of Environment and Local Government, the Province of New Brunswick or any of its agencies of any statutory power or duty.
- 10.5 Issue Management: Bathurst Metallic will immediately inform the Minister of any significant occurrences or situations arising with respect to the Care and Maintenance Activities, including significant accidents, incidents, environmental spills or contamination, failure to implement mitigation measures, failure of mitigation measures, or any occurrence or situation likely to generate significant public interest.
- 10.6 **Further Assurances**: Each of the Parties shall, from time to time, do all such acts and things and execute and deliver, from time to time, all such further documents and assurances as may be reasonably necessary to carry out and give effect to the terms of this Agreement.
- 10.7 Severability: Any provision of this Agreement which is or becomes prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or impair the remaining provisions of this Agreement which shall be deemed severable from the prohibited or unenforceable provision and any prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable that provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 10.8 Waiver: No condonation, forgiveness, waiver or forbearance by the Minister of any non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement will operate as a waiver or estoppel by or against the Minister in respect of any term or condition or any subsequent non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any term or condition of this Agreement.
- 10.9 **Survival**: All provisions of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature are intended to survive the termination (however caused) of this Agreement, including covenants, warranties, guarantees, releases and indemnities, continue as valid and enforceable rights and obligations (as the case may be) of the Parties, notwithstanding any such termination, until they are satisfied in full or by their nature expire.
- 10.10 **No Third-Party Beneficiaries:** Except as otherwise provided herein or permitted hereby, this Agreement is not made for the benefit of any person not a party to this Agreement, and no person other than the Parties or their respective successors and permitted assigns shall acquire or have any right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.

- 10.11 **Assignment**: Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, entitlements, duties or obligations arising from it may be assigned in whole or in part by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Parties.
- 10.12 **Notices**: Any notice given by a Party to another Party or the other Parties shall be in writing and (a) delivered personally, or (b) sent by facsimile or other similar means of electronic communication to the other Party or Parties at the following respective address:

If to the Province:

Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre 1350 Regent Street Fredericton, NB E3C 2G6

Attention: Jennifer Welles, Director of Resource Development Branch

Email: jennifer.welles@gnb.ca

If to Bathurst Metallic:

Bathurst Metallic Corp. 58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo, NB, E8K 3R8

Attention: Kevin Vienneau, Founder, President, and Director

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

Any such notice so given shall be deemed conclusively to have been given and received when so personally delivered or sent by facsimile or other electronic communication. A Party may from time to time change its address hereinbefore set forth by notice to the other Parties in accordance with this Section.

- 10.13 **Certain Rules of Interpretation**: In this Agreement, (i) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa (ii) headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement, (iii) unless otherwise indicated, references to a section or Schedule followed by a number or letter refer to the specified section or Schedule of this Agreement, (iv) the terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement taken as a whole and not to any particular Section or other portion of this Agreement, (v) the word "including" means "including without limitation", and (vi) amounts are in Canadian dollars.
- 10.14 **No Drafting Presumption**: The Parties acknowledge that their respective legal advisors have reviewed and participated in settling the terms of this Agreement and agree that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguity is to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not apply to the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 10.15 Entire Agreement/Amendment: This Agreement is the entire agreement between the Parties and this Agreement supersedes all prior communications, understandings, negotiations and agreements, whether oral or written, express or implied, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be modified, varied or amended except as agreed in writing signed by the Parties.

- 10.16 **Governing Law**: This Agreement is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of New Brunswick and the laws of Canada applicable therein, without regard to conflict of laws rules.
- 10.17 **Successors and Assigns**: This Agreement is binding upon and enures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 10.18 Counterparts and Electronic Delivery: This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one in the same instrument. Executed signature pages delivered by facsimile or electronic mail will be deemed for all purposes to be original counterparts of this Agreement.
- 10.19 **Lieutenant-Governor in Council Approval**: This Agreement will be effective only when it has been signed by all of the authorized signatories of the Parties and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved the Minister's execution and delivery of this Agreement (the "**Effective Date**").

[The remainder of this page is left intentionally blank. Signature page to follow.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have each caused this Agreement to be duly executed.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK,

as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development

Hon. Mike Holland Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

Mr. Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President, Bathurst Metallic Corp.

☐ I have authority to bind the corporation.

AFFIDAVIT OF CORPORATE EXECUTION

Ι,	, of, in the County of
	, of, in the County of, MAKE OATH AND
SAY	AS FOLLOWS:
1.	That I am the of BATHURST METALLIC CORP (the "Corporation"), one of the Parties named in the foregoing instrument and as such have personal knowledge of the matters herein deposed to.
2.	That the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument purporting to be the seal of the corporation is the seal of the corporation and was so affixed by order of the Corporation's board of directors.
3.	That the signature "" subscribed to the foregoing instrument is the signature of, the of the Corporation and the signature "" subscribed thereto is my signature.
4.	That the and the are the officers of the Corporation duly authorized to execute the foregoing instrument.
in th	RN TO BEFORE ME at) County of,) Crovince of,) day of, 2024.
	y Public)) d for the Province of New Brunswick)

Schedule A

Assets and Claims of Bathurst Metallic Corp.

Bathurst Metallic Corp. holds one hundred percent (100%) right, title and interest in all agreements, licences, permits, approvals, consents, regulations, certificates and other authorizations in connection with the mining and milling operations related to the Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including:

Caribou Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-246;
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060027);
- 3. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032;
- 4. All mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. including Mining Claims 334950 to 334969, 334972 to 334977, 334980 to 34986, also known as mineral claim 1773 (Woodside Brook) representing some thirty-three (33) mining claims;
- 5. All agreements, licenses, permits, approvals, consents, registrations, certificates and other authorizations issued or held by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. in connection with the milling operations currently or formerly carried out at or relating to the mining lease, leasehold and real property listed above in 1 through 4 above, to the extent assignable.

Restigouche Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-255 (or any replacement mining lease thereof);
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158) (or any replacement surface lease/crown lands lease thereof).

Halfmile Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-261;
- 2. Crown Lands Lease #415060072;
- 3. all New Brunswick mineral claims that were owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. including:
 - o 1522 (Heath East)
 - o 1681 (Halfmile Lake Central)
 - o 3886 (Murray Brook)
 - o 4341 (California Lake)
 - 4525 (Restigouche South)
 - 6049 (Stratmat)
 - o 8160 (Mount Fronsac North)

Schedule B

Care and Maintenance Activities

In accordance with section 2.2 Bathurst Metallic will be solely responsible for and will proceed diligently and continuously with the care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including, but not limited to the following activities:

- Maintain all program(s) for environmental protection, including water management, water treatment and all environmental monitoring and reporting, as set out in the Approval to Operate for each mine and as otherwise required by Applicable Law.
- Ensure site security is maintained at all times.
- Ensure access to each site is maintained to the degree required to conduct care and maintenance activities, including maintenance of roads.
- Continue to maintain the underground pumping of Caribou Mine in a dewatered state, with water elevations not exceeding bypass to north limb between 1860-4E and 1960-1E.
- Conduct all other activities required to maintain compliance with Applicable Law.

Schedule C

Milestone Schedule

The disbursement of Milestone Payments to Bathurst Metallic is contingent upon the successful completion of each designated Milestone and fulfillment of the specified payment conditions outlined in the Agreement. Milestone Payments will be processed on the applicable Milestone Payment Date, subject to the satisfactory completion of the applicable Milestones as stipulated below:

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(1) Asset purchase	□ Bathurst Metallic takes possession of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, and Halfmile Mine.	n/a
complete	All Mine leases, Crown Land Leases, Approvals to Operate, and Petroleum Storage Tank licences are transferred to Bathurst Metallic, and other regulatory bodies are informed of the change in responsibility for these sites. This includes, but may not be limited to WorkSafe NB, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission.	
(2) Plan for sludge management	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities from Handover Date to September 30, 2024.	\$1,270,436
upgrades, design contract for South Tributary Tailings Pond ("STTP") upgrades and	□ Plan to upgrade the sludge management system at the Caribou Mine, proof that all required environmental approvals have been received for this work, and a binding contract established with an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick and qualified for this work, submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	
efficiency improvements for the Caribou water treatment plant	□ Proof of signed contract for design of the Caribou Mine STTP upgrades, including the main dam raise, the South dam, and associated work, submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	
("WTP")	□ Performance of the current WTP at the Caribou mine reviewed and steps identified to maximize its efficiency and ensure reliability until a new WTP is commissioned. Steps include all required permits / approvals and are documented in a refurbishment plan submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(3) Sludge	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to December 31, 2024.	\$1,270,436
management upgrades and WTP refurbishment work complete,	□ Proof of 100% completion of sludge management upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before December 31, 2024.	
STTP upgrade preparations	☐ Proof of completed implementation of the refurbishment plan for the current WTP at the Caribou mine, submitted on or before December 31, 2024.	
progress, and planning for WTP upgrades begins	☐ Design package for STTP upgrades, including the STTP dam and the South dam, completed and submitted to DNRED, on or before December 31, 2024.	
apgraded begine	□ South Dam engineering design and any modifications to the previously approved main dam design submitted to DNRED and ELG for approval, on or before December 31, 2024.	
	□ Proof of binding contract with an engineering consultant or design/build company for WTP upgrades, submitted on or before December 31, 2024. Required dates in the contract align with the Milestones in this agreement.	
(4) Tender issued for	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to March 31, 2025	\$1,270,436
STTP upgrades, and WTP design finalized	□ Proof of construction tender issued for STTP upgrades, and copy of Tender Package submitted to DNRED, on or before March 31, 2025.	
manzod	□ WTP design package complete and submitted to DNRED and ELG, on or before March 31, 2025.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(5) Construction	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to June 30, 2025.	\$1,270,436
progresses for STTP upgrades, and construction contract issued for	□ Proof of 10% completion of planned construction schedule for STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before June 30, 2025.	
WTP upgrades	□ Proof of binding contract established with a design/build company or contractor, which aligns with the construction schedule set out in these milestones, for construction of the WTP upgrades, submitted on or before June 30, 2025.	
(6) Construction	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to September 30, 2025.	\$1,270,436
progresses for STTP upgrades, and construction begins for WTP	□ Proof of 75% completion of planned construction schedule for STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before September 30, 2025.	
	□ Proof of construction commencement for WTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before September 30, 2025.	
(7) STTP upgrades	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to December 31, 2025	\$1,270,435
complete and WTP construction progresses	□ Proof of 100% completion of STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before December 31, 2025.	
	□ Proof of 70% completion of planned construction schedule for WTP upgrades, submitted on or before December 31, 2025, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick with the intention to complete and commission the WTP in accordance with the milestones established in this agreement.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(8) WTP construction complete	□ Proof of 100% completion of WTP upgrades in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before March 31, 2026.	\$1.00

Schedule D MILESTONE PAYMENT CERTIFICATE

To: His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick, as represented by

the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")

RE: Funding Agreement dated •, 2024 between the Minister and Bathurst Metallic Corp.

(the "Bathurst Metallic") as amended or updated from time to time (the "

Agreement").

MILESTONE: Milestone number ● (the "Milestone") as identified in Schedule "C" to the Funding

Agreement (the "Milestone Payment")

This certificate is delivered pursuant to Section 3.2 of the Agreement.

The undersigned hereby requests payment of the Milestone Payment to which this certificate relates and, in respect thereof, certifies as follows:

- 1. I am the President and am authorized to deliver this certificate for and on behalf of Bathurst Metallic;
- 2. the work required to be completed as part of the Milestone to which this certificate relates is complete;
- 3. all such work is in strict compliance with applicable industry standards and all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, by-laws, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations and directives.
- 4. there are no outstanding Milestone Deficiency Notices in respect of or relating to the current or any previous Milestone Payment;
- 5. all conditions to the making of the Milestone Payment to which this certificate relates as set out in the Agreement have been satisfied;
- 6. all contractors, subcontractors, and service providers who have supplied work, labour, equipment, materials, goods, services or supplies in connection with the work have been paid in full and there are no claims relating thereto; and
- 7. no default under this Agreement with respect to Bathurst Metallic has occurred and is continuing and no such default would result from the making of such Milestone Payment.

DATED this ● day of ●, 20●

Mr. Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President, Bathurst Metallic Corp.

EXHIBIT C TMM APA

[see attached]

TREVALI MINING (MARITIMES) LTD.

AND

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

DATED AS OF APRIL 27, 2024

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT dated for reference the 27 day of April, 2024

BETWEEN:

TREVALI MINING (MARITIMES) LTD., a corporation incorporated under the laws of Ontario, by **FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC** ("**FTI**")., solely in its capacity as court-appointed monitor and not in any other capacity

(the "Vendor")

AND:

BATHURST METALLIC CORP., a New Brunswick corporation, having an address located at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, New Brunswick, E8K 3R8

(the "Purchaser")

WHEREAS:

- A. On August 19, 2022, the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") made an order, as amended and restated on August 29, 2022 (as amended and restated and as may be further amended from time to time, the "CCAA Order") appointing FTI as the monitor (FTI in such capacity, the "Monitor") of Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC") and Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. ("TNB") under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") (the proceedings associated with the CCAA Order are referred to herein as the "CCAA Proceedings");
- B. On January 9, 2023, the Court made an order (as amended from time to time, the "**Receivership Order**") appointing FTI as the receiver (FTI in such capacity, the "**Receiver**"), without security, over certain assets, undertakings and property of TNB, including all proceeds thereof, pursuant to section 243(1) of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c B-3, as amended (the "**BIA**") (the proceedings associated with the Receivership Order are referred to herein as the "**Receivership Proceedings**"), which took effect January 25, 2023;
- C. TMC is the sole, direct shareholder of Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. ("**TMM**");
- D. On November 6, 2023, the Receiver and the Monitor entered into a term sheet (the "**Term Sheet**") with Eagle Pass Mining Corp. ("**Eagle Pass**"), specifying that Eagle Pass would: purchase certain assets, undertaking and property of TNB, pursuant to a tender process conducted by the Receiver; and purchase all of the assets, undertaking and property of TMM pursuant to a process facilitated by the Monitor;
- E. On January 30, 2024, at the request of Eagle Pass, the Receiver and the Monitor agreed to amend the Term Sheet by assigning it to the Purchaser;
- F. In connection with a sale of the assets, undertaking and property of TMM in accordance with the Term Sheet, the parties will seek or have sought the Approval and Vesting Order (as defined herein) from the Court, to, among other things, approve the transactions set out herein and add TMM as petitioner to the CCAA Proceedings;

G. The Vendor has agreed to transfer to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser has agreed to purchase and acquire the Assets, and assume all liabilities and obligations of the Vendor in respect of the Assumed Liabilities (as such terms are defined herein), upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the respective covenants, agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities herein contained, and of the mutual benefits to be derived hereby (the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged), the Parties covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:

"Accounts Receivable" means all of TMM's debts receivable, accounts receivable, claims, demands, monies and choses in action which now are, or which at any time hereafter may be, due or owing to or owned by TMM, and all books, records, documents, papers, and electronically recorded data recording, evidencing or relating to the said debts, accounts, claims, demand, monies and choses in action or any part thereof.

"Action" means any litigation, action, suit, binding arbitration or other legal, administrative or judicial proceeding.

"Affiliate" means, as to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, or is under common Control with, or is Controlled by, such Person.

"Agreement" means this Asset Purchase Agreement, including the Exhibits and the Disclosure Schedules attached hereto and thereto and all amendments hereto and thereto made in accordance with Section 13.5.

"Ancillary Agreements" means, in each case in a form reasonably acceptable to the Vendor and the Purchaser: (i) a Bill of Sale for the assignment and conveyance of the Assets from the Vendor to the Purchaser; (ii) an Assignment and Assumption Agreement for the assignment and assumption of the Contracts and the Assumed Liabilities from the Vendor to the Purchaser; (iii) the Funding Agreement; and (iv) the instruments of assignment of the Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, and any other assignments or instruments with respect to the Assets for which an assignment or instrument is required to assign, transfer, convey and deliver such Assets to the Purchaser or to record such assignment, transfer or conveyance with the appropriate government offices, domain name registrars or other similar authorities.

"Approval and Vesting Order" means an Order of the Court in the CCAA Proceedings, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, containing, among other things, orders approving this Agreement, adding TMM as a petitioner to the CCAA Proceedings, and authorizing the Monitor to execute this Agreement and any related or ancillary documents and agreements on behalf of TMM, and, subject to the payment of the Purchase Price, providing for the vesting in the Purchaser of the right, title and interest, if any, of the Vendor in and to the Assets, free and clear of all liens, charges and encumbrances; and authorizing and directing the Vendor to

execute such deeds, bills of sale and other instruments of sale and transfers as the Vendor may deem necessary or desirable in order to transfer to the Purchaser all of the Vendor's interest in and to the Assets.

"Asset Allocation Schedule" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.2.

"Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"Assumed Liabilities" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.

"Bonds" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.4.

"Business" means TMM's business of operating and maintaining the Mine and its interests in connection with Ruttan, in addition to other zinc and mineral mines, the exploration for zinc and other minerals, the development and exploitation of mining properties, water and environmental remediation activities and all activities incidental thereto.

"Business Day" means a day on which the banks are open for business (Saturdays, Sundays, statutory and civic holidays excluded) in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

"Business Information" means those books, records, files, documentation and sales literature in the possession or under control of the Vendor as of the Closing Date that, in the sole opinion of the Vendor, are specifically used or held for use in connection with the other categories of Assets to be acquired by the Purchaser herein, including information, policies and procedures, Equipment and Machinery manuals, materials and procurement documentation used in the Business, but excluding (i) any such materials relating to Accounts Receivable; and (ii) any records of former employees of TMM.

"Cash Payment" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.1.

"Certificate" means the certificate, substantially in the form attached as Schedule B to the Approval and Vesting Order, to be delivered by the Monitor to the Vendor and the Purchaser on Closing and thereafter filed by the Monitor with the Court.

"CCAA" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Order" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CCAA Proceedings" has the meaning set out in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Closing" means completion of the transactions in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

"Closing Date" has the meaning set out in Section 10.1.

"Contracts" means those TMM contracts, agreements, obligations, licenses, undertakings, instruments, Leases, commitments or other arrangements, whether written or oral, associated with the Business and listed in Section A.6 of Schedule A.

"Control", including, with its correlative meanings, "Controlled by" and "under common Control with", means, in connection with a given Person, the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to either (i) elect more than 50% of the directors of such Person; or (ii) direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of securities, Contract or otherwise.

"Copyrights" means all Canadian and foreign copyrights and copyrightable subject matter, whether registered or unregistered, including all Canadian copyright registrations and applications for registration and foreign equivalents, all moral rights and rights of attribution and integrity, all common law copyright rights, and all rights to register and obtain renewals and extensions of copyright registrations, together with all other copyright interests accruing by reason of any international copyright convention or treaty.

"Court" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"CRA" means the Canada Revenue Agency.

"DELG" means New Brunswick Department of Environment and Local Government.

"Dentons" means Dentons Canada LLP, as counsel to the Receiver, the Monitor and the Vendor.

"Disclosure Schedules" means the disclosure schedules which form part of this Agreement pursuant to Section 2.7.

"DNRED" means New Brunswick's Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development.

"Encumbrance" means any lien, mortgage, pledge or security interest, hypothec (including legal hypothecs), encumbrance, servitude, easement, encroachment, right-of-way, restrictive covenant on real or immovable property, real property licence, other real rights in favor of Third Parties, charge, prior claim, lease, occupancy agreement, leasing agreement, statutory or deemed trust or conditional sale arrangement, on the Assets, including any charges on the Assets created by or pursuant to any Order of the Court in the CCAA Proceedings.

"Environmental Law" means any applicable Law relating to contamination, pollution or protection of the environment (including ambient air, surface water, ground water, subsurface or subsurface strata), plant life, animal and fish or other natural resources or human health, including without limitation, Laws relating to the exposure to, or Releases or threatened Releases of, Hazardous Materials or otherwise relating to the manufacture, presence, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, Release, transport, disposal, transfer, discharge, control, recycling, production, generation or handling of Hazardous Materials and all Laws with regard to monitoring, recordkeeping, notification, disclosure and reporting requirements respecting Hazardous Materials, each as amended and as now in effect.

"Environmental Liabilities" will mean any and all liability arising out of, based on or resulting from: (i) the presence, Release, threatened Release, discharge or emission into the environment of any Hazardous Materials or substances existing or arising on, beneath or above the TMM Property and/or emanating or migrating and/or threatening to emanate or migrate from the TMM Property to other properties; (ii) storage, disposal or treatment of or the arrangement for the storage, disposal or treatment of Hazardous Materials originating or transported from the TMM Property to an off-site treatment, storage or disposal facility; (iii) physical disturbance of the environment on or from the

TMM Property; or (iv) the violation or alleged violation of any Environmental Laws relating to the TMM Property.

"Equipment and Machinery" means all of TMM's equipment, machinery and vehicles used in connection with the Business, including those items specifically listed in Section A.5 of Schedule A.

"ETA" means the Excise Tax Act (Canada), including regulations thereunder.

"Excluded Assets" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"FTI" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Funding Agreement" means the funding agreement to be entered into between the GNB and the Purchaser, relating to the management of, among other things, the Mine, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

"GNB" means the Government of New Brunswick, Canada.

"Government Entity" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, state, municipal or local governmental authority, quasi-governmental authority, instrumentality, court, government or self-regulatory organization, bureau, commission, tribunal or organization or any regulatory, administrative or other agency, or any political or other subdivision, department or branch of any of the foregoing having jurisdiction with respect to TMM, the Assets, the Business or any other matter that is the subject of this Agreement, including without limitation, the DNRED, the DELG, and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency.

"GST/HST" means the goods and services tax/harmonized sales tax imposed under Part IX of the ETA.

"Hazardous Materials" means (i) petroleum, petroleum products, asbestos in any form, mold, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, lead based paints, polychlorinated biphenyls or any other material or substance regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law; and (ii) any chemical, material or other substance, contaminant or pollutant which is regulated, defined or listed, alone or in any combination as "hazardous", "hazardous waste", "solid waste", "radioactive", "deleterious", "effluent", "toxic", "caustic", "dangerous", a contaminant, a pollutant, a "waste", a "special waste", a "source of contamination" or "source of pollution", under any Environmental Law.

"Insolvency Laws" means the CCAA, the BIA, the Law and Equity Act, R.C.B.C., 1996, c. 253, and the other applicable Insolvency Laws of any jurisdiction where Insolvency Proceedings are instituted.

"Insolvency Proceedings" means the CCAA Proceedings and/or the Receivership Proceedings and any other proceedings thereunder, as well as any other voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy, insolvency, administration or similar judicial proceedings concerning TMM, TNB or TMC that are instituted from time to time.

"Intellectual Property" means all Canadian and foreign intellectual and industrial property rights of any kind, including all: (i) Trademarks; (ii) Patents; (iii) inventions, novel devices, processes, compositions of matter, methods, techniques, improvements, observations, discoveries,

apparatuses, machines, designs, expressions, theories and ideas, whether or not patentable and whether or not a patent has been issued or a patent application has been made therefor; (iv) Copyrights; (v) mask works; (vi) Trade Secrets, Know-How, and other proprietary, confidential, technical or Business Information; (vii) Software and technology; (viii) rights of privacy and rights to personal information; (ix) all telephone, telex, and facsimile numbers and Internet protocol addresses; (x) the corporate name of TMM; and (xi) all rights in the foregoing and in other similar intangible assets, and all rights and remedies (including the right to sue for and recover damages, profits and any other remedy) for past, present, or future infringement, misappropriation, or other violation relating to any of the foregoing.

"Inventory" means TMM's inventories of raw materials, ore and refined ore at any stage of the refining process and all other inventory of the Business, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all building materials, furnishings, appliances and other goods, relating to or acquired, used or held in connection with the ownership, development, construction or operation of the Business, in each case held by TMM, including any of the above items which is owned by TMM but which remain in transit to or in the possession or control of a Third Party.

"Know-How" means scientific, engineering, mechanical, electrical, financial, marketing, practical and other similar knowledge or experience useful in the operation of the Business.

"Law" means any Canadian, foreign, domestic, federal, territorial, provincial, local, regional or municipal statute, law, common law, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, writ, injunction, directive, judgment, decree or policy or guideline having the force of law.

"Leased Real Property" means all Leases (or other property interests) for real and immovable property in connection with the Mine under which TMM is a lessee, licensee or occupant.

"Leases" means all unexpired leases, licences or other occupancy agreements.

"Liabilities" means debts, liabilities and obligations, whether accrued or fixed, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured or determined or undeterminable, including those arising under any Law or Action and those arising under any Contract or otherwise, including without limitation any Tax liability, Environmental Liabilities, or any other liabilities or obligations under Environmental Laws that are required to be assumed or accepted in order to effectuate or achieve the Transfer Approvals in respect of the Permits and Licences.

"Material Adverse Effect" means any fact, condition, change, violation, inaccuracy, circumstance or event, individually or in the aggregate that: (i) has, or is reasonably likely to have, a material adverse effect on the operations, results of operations or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Business; (ii) materially and adversely impairs the Assets or the Business (excluding the Excluded Assets), taken as a whole; or (iii) materially and adversely delays or impedes the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (except for those matters that are addressed and accomplished by invoking and meeting the terms of Article 12 hereto), but in each case, excluding any such fact, condition, change, violation, inaccuracy, circumstance or event results from or arises out of (a) changes in general economic conditions or changes affecting the industries and markets in which the Business operates (except to the extent that such changes have a disproportionate effect on the Assets or the Business); (b) macroeconomic factors, interest rates, currency exchange rates, general financial market conditions, acts of God, war, terrorism or hostilities; (c) the

transactions contemplated hereby or any announcement hereof or the identity of the Purchaser; or (d) the pendency of the Insolvency Proceedings.

"Mine" means the zinc mine, processing and other ancillary facilities located in the Bathurst Mining Camp of New Brunswick, Canada, commonly known as the Halfmile Mine and advanced exploration stage Stratmat project and any related mine workings or mining-related infrastructure on the Halfmile Mine site, or otherwise owned by TMM in connection with the mine.

"Mineral Titles" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(b).

"Monitor" has the meaning set forth in Recital A to this Agreement.

"Non-Assignable Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.4.

"Order" means any order, injunction, judgment, decree, ruling, writ, assessment or arbitration award of the Court or other court or of a Government Entity.

"Ordinary Course" means the ordinary course of the Business consistent with recent past practice, as such practice is, or may have been, modified as a result of the Insolvency Proceedings.

"Outside Date" means the date by which the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are to be completed, being July 8, 2024 or such other date as the Parties may mutually agree upon in writing.

"Party" or "Parties" means individually or together, as the case may be, the Vendor and the Purchaser and includes, if applicable, any permitted assignee of either.

"Patents" means all Canadian and foreign (whether national or multinational) statutory invention registrations, patents (including certificates of invention and other patent equivalents), patent applications, provisional patent applications and patents issuing therefrom, industrial designs, and industrial models, as well as all reissues, divisions, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part, patent disclosures, extensions and re-examinations, and all rights therein provided by multinational treaties or conventions.

"Periodic Taxes" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Permits and Licences" means those permits, approvals, licences, certificates or other authorization required under any applicable Law (including Environmental Laws) to conduct the Business, which are listed in Section A.4 of Schedule A.

"**Person**" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, an association, a limited or unlimited liability company, a joint stock company, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization or other legal entity or Government Entity.

"Post Closing" means the period after the Closing.

"Post-Closing Tax Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Pre-Closing Tax Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Purchase Price" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.1.

"Purchased Deposits" means those deposits (including customer deposits and security deposits for rent, electricity and otherwise) and prepaid charges and expenses provided by TMM, including the right to receive any refund of any unutilized amounts thereof which are paid, but only in connection with the other Assets acquired by the Purchaser herein, but excluding any Bonds.

"Purchaser" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

"Real Property" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"Receiver" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Order" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Receivership Proceedings" has the meaning set forth in Recital B to this Agreement.

"Release" means any release, spill, emission, discharge, leaking, pouring, emptying, escaping, dumping, injection, deposit, disposal, dispersal, leaching or migration into the indoor or outdoor environment (including, without limitation, ambient air, surface water, groundwater and surface or subsurface strata) or into or out of any property.

"Ruttan" means the copper-zinc massive sulphide deposit located approximately 21 kilometres east of the village of Leaf Rapids, Manitoba.

"Software" means all computer software programs (whether in source code, object code, or other form) and software systems, including all websites, algorithms, databases, compilations and data, tool sets, compilers, higher level or "proprietary" languages, related documentation and technology, technical manuals and materials, and any rights relating to the foregoing.

"Straddle Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.

"Subsidiary" of a Person means any Person controlled by such first Person.

"Target Closing Date" means the date that is on or before June 7, 2024 or such other date as may be agreed by the Parties in writing, provided that such date may not be later than the Outside Date.

"Tax" means any domestic or foreign federal, state, local, provincial, territorial or municipal taxes or other impositions by any Government Entity, including Transfer Taxes and the following taxes and impositions: net income, gross income, capital, value added, goods and services, capital gains, alternative, net worth, harmonized sales, gross receipts, sales, use, ad valorem, business rates, transfer, franchise, profits, business, environmental, real or immovable property, municipal, school, Canada Pension Plan, withholding, workers' compensation levies, payroll, employment, unemployment, employer health, occupation, social security, excise, stamp, customs, and all other taxes, fees, duties, assessments, deductions, contributions, withholdings or charges of the same or of a similar nature, however denominated, together with any interest and penalties, additions to tax or additional amounts imposed or assessed with respect thereto.

"**Tax Act**" means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time.

"**Tax Authority**" means any local, municipal, governmental, state, provincial, territorial, federal, including any Canadian or other fiscal, customs or excise authority, body or officials anywhere in the world with responsibility for, and competent to impose, collect or administer, any form of Tax.

"Tax Returns" means all returns, reports (including elections, declarations, disclosures, statements, schedules, estimates and information returns) and other information filed or required to be filed with any Tax Authority relating to Taxes.

"Third Party" means any Person that is neither a Party nor an Affiliate of a Party.

"TMM" has the meaning set forth in Recital Error! Reference source not found. to this Agreement.

"TMM Property" means, collectively, any real property associated with the Mine, Ruttan, Permits and Licences and the Leased Real Property.

"Trade Secrets" means trade secrets and other confidential or proprietary ideas, concepts, methods, processes, formulae, models, methodologies, algorithms, reports, data, customer lists, mailing lists, business plans, market surveys, market research studies, information contained on drawings and other documents and information (including with respect to research, development and testing).

"Trademarks" means, together with the goodwill associated therewith, all Canadian, provincial and foreign trademarks, service marks, trade dress, logos, slogans, distinguishing guises and indicia, trade names (including all assumed or fictitious names under which the Business has been conducted), corporate names, business names, domain names, and any other indicia of source or sponsorship of goods or services, whether or not registered, including all common law rights, and registrations, applications for registration and renewals thereof, including all marks registered in the Canadian Intellectual Property Office or any trademark offices of other states or nations throughout the world and all rights therein, including those provided by multinational treaties or conventions.

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and all other ancillary documents to be entered into, or documentation delivered by, any Party pursuant to this Agreement.

"Transfer Approvals" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.3.5.

"Transfer Taxes" means all goods and services, sales, excise, use, transfer, gross receipts, documentary, filing, recordation, value-added, stamp, stamp duty reserve, GST/HST, and all other similar taxes, duties or other like charges, however denominated (specifically including property transfer taxes and harmonized sales taxes), in each case including interest, penalties or additions attributable thereto whether or not disputed, arising out of or in connection with the transaction, regardless of whether the Government Entity seeks to collect the Transfer Tax from the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor or the Purchaser.

"Transferred Intellectual Property" means the following Intellectual Property owned, used, or held for use by or on behalf of TMM in the Business (or in any product, service, technology or process

currently or formerly manufactured, produced, marketed, distributed or offered for sale by or on behalf of TMM or any Subsidiary or currently under development by or on behalf of TMM or any Subsidiary), (i) the Patents (ii) the Trademarks; and (iii) any other Intellectual Property set forth in Section A.7 of Schedule A.

"Vendor" has the meaning set forth in the parties to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 INTERPRETATION

2.1 Gender and Number

Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders and words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa.

2.2 Certain Phrases

In this Agreement (i) the words "including" and "includes" mean "including (or includes) without limitation" and will not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it; (ii) the terms "hereof", "herein", "hereunder" and "herewith" and words of similar import will, unless otherwise stated, be construed to refer to this Agreement and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and Article, Section, paragraph, Exhibit and Schedule references are to the Articles, Sections, paragraphs, Exhibits and Schedules to this Agreement unless otherwise specified; and (iii) in the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, unless otherwise expressly stated, the word "from" means "from and including" and the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding". If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.3 Calculation of Time

When calculating the period of time "within" which, "prior to" or "following" which any act or event is required or permitted to be done, notice given or steps taken, the date which is the reference date in calculating such period is excluded from the calculation. If the last day of any such period is not a Business Day, such period will end on the next Business Day.

2.4 Headings

The inclusion of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles and Sections and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and are not to affect or be used in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section" are to the corresponding Section of this Agreement unless otherwise specified.

2.5 Currency

All monetary amounts in this Agreement, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are stated in Canadian currency. All calculations and estimates to be performed or undertaken, unless otherwise specifically indicated, are to be expressed in Canadian currency. All payments required under this Agreement will be paid in Canadian currency in immediately available funds, unless otherwise specifically

indicated herein. Where another currency is to be converted into Canadian currency it will be converted on the basis of the average exchange rate published by the Bank of Canada for the day in question.

2.6 Statutory References

Unless otherwise specifically indicated, any reference to a statute in this Agreement refers to that statute and to the regulations made under that statute as in force from time to time.

2.7 Exhibits and Disclosure Schedules

The Exhibits and the Disclosure Schedules annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set in full herein. Any capitalized terms used in any Exhibit or Disclosure Schedule but not otherwise defined therein will be defined as set forth in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 PURCHASE AND SALE OF ASSETS

3.1 Purchase and Sale

Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement (including for greater certainty, the categories of Excluded Assets listed in Section 3.2) and the Approval and Vesting Order, at the Closing, the Purchaser agrees to purchase or be assigned and assume from the Vendor, and the Vendor will sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to the Purchaser all of the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to the following assets of the Vendor wherever located, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use in or relating to the Business:

- (a) the Leased Real Property, together with the buildings, structures, improvements and appurtenances thereon, including those listed in Section A.1 of Schedule A (but specifically excluding any buildings, structures, improvements and appurtenances which are not owned by TMM);
- (b) the mineral titles, mining leases, mineral claims (whether patented or unpatented), placer claims or other claims to exploration or mineral rights enumerated in Section A.2 of Schedule A (collectively, the "Mineral Titles");
- (c) the Real Property, including the freehold parcel of real estate identified in Section A.3 of Schedule A;
- (d) the Permits and Licences, to the extent that such Permits and Licences are assignable or transferable through either providing the required notification to or obtaining the Transfer Approval from a Government Entity in New Brunswick or federally in Canada, or a Third Party;
- (e) the Equipment and Machinery;
- (f) the Inventory;
- (g) the Contracts;

- (h) the Business Information;
- (i) the Transferred Intellectual Property;
- (j) all rights, claims or causes of action of TMM against Third Parties arising out of events occurring prior to the Closing, and including any rights under or pursuant to any and all warranties, representations and guarantees made by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors relating to products sold, or services provided, to TMM, but only to the extent such rights, claims or causes of action are connected to the Assets to be acquired by the Purchaser herein;
- (k) any proprietary rights in Internet protocol addresses, ideas, concepts, methods, processes, formulae, models, methodologies, algorithms, reports, data, customer lists, mailing lists, business plans, market surveys, market research studies, websites, information contained on drawings and other documents, information relating to research, development or testing, and documentation and media constituting, describing or relating to the Transferred Intellectual Property, including memoranda, manuals, technical specifications and other records wherever created throughout the world;
- (I) all pre-paid expenses of the Business, including any deposits, but not including any rights to any Bonds, or amounts in respect of Taxes described in Section 8.5;
- (m) all telephone, telex and telephone facsimile numbers and other directory listings and e-mail and website addresses used in connection with the Business:
- (n) the Purchased Deposits;
- (o) all goodwill associated with the Business and the Assets, other than: (i) the right to carry on the Business under the name "Trevali Maritimes"; and (ii) all domain names of TMM;
- (p) all customer lists, files, data and information relating to past and present customers and prospective customers of the Business;
- (q) copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business; and
- (r) all financial and corporate books and records of TMM.

(collectively, the "Assets").

3.2 Excluded Assets

Notwithstanding anything in Section 3.1, in this Section 3.2, elsewhere in this Agreement, or in any of the Transaction Documents to the contrary, except for the Assets, the Purchaser will not acquire and will

have no rights with respect to any other assets of the Vendor, including, but not limited to, the Vendor's right, title and interest in and to, the Excluded Assets Listed in Schedule 3.2.

3.3 Assumed Liabilities

On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, at the Closing, the Purchaser will assume and become responsible for, and perform, discharge and pay when due, the following Liabilities (the "Assumed Liabilities"), from and after the Closing Date:

- (a) all Liabilities of the Vendor under the Contracts;
- (b) all Environmental Liabilities associated with the Assets, provided however that the Parties acknowledge that such assumption does not relieve TMM of the Environmental Liabilities that accrued pursuant to Environmental Law prior to Closing;
- (c) all Liabilities for, or related to any obligation for, any Tax that the Purchaser bears under Article 8 (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Transfer Taxes imposed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereunder or any other Transaction Document and the transactions contemplated thereunder);
- (d) all Liabilities in respect of the Permits and Licences, including filing and other fees related thereto, provided however that the Parties acknowledge that such assumption does not relieve TMM of the Environmental Liabilities that accrued pursuant to Environmental Law prior to Closing; and
- (e) all Liabilities associated with, or in regard to any Transfer Approvals.

3.4 Non-Assignable Contracts

To the extent that any Contract is not capable of being assigned pursuant to other applicable Laws or the terms of such Contract to the Purchaser on the Closing Date without the consent of the issuer thereof or the counter-party thereto or any Third Party (including a Government Entity), and such consent has not been obtained (collectively, the "Non-Assignable Contracts"), this Agreement will not constitute an assignment thereof, or an attempted assignment, unless any such consent is obtained. Any payment to be made in order to obtain any consent required by the terms of any Non-Assignable Contract will be the sole responsibility of the Purchaser. If such consent is required but not obtained, the Vendor will, at the Purchaser's sole cost and expense, cooperate with the Purchaser in any reasonable arrangement, including the Purchaser's provision of credit support, designed to provide for the Purchaser the benefits and obligations of or under any such Contract, including enforcement for the benefit of the Purchaser of any and all rights of the Vendor against a third party thereto arising out of the breach or cancellation thereof by such third party; provided, that nothing in this Section 3.4 will (i) require the Vendor to make any significant expenditure or incur any significant obligation on its own or on the Purchaser's behalf; or (ii) prohibit the Vendor from ceasing operations or winding up its affairs following the Closing. Any assignment to the Purchaser of any Contract that will require the consent of any Third Party for such assignment as aforesaid will be made subject to such consent being obtained or further order of the Court approving such assignment. Any contract that would be an Contract but is not assigned in accordance with the terms of this Section 3.4 will not be considered an "Contract" for purposes hereof unless and until such contract is assigned to the Purchaser following the Closing Date or such order has been granted by the Court approving such assignment.

ARTICLE 4 PURCHASE PRICE AND ALLOCATION

4.1 Purchase Price

4.1.1 Pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, in consideration of the sale of the Assets pursuant to the terms hereof, the Purchaser will (i) pay to the Vendor an amount equal to \$1,000,000.00 which the Purchaser will pay and deliver at the Closing in accordance with Section 10.2 (the "Cash Payment"); and (ii) assume from the Vendor, and become obligated to pay, perform and discharge, when due, the Assumed Liabilities (the amounts referred to in (i) and (ii), are collectively, the "Purchase Price").

4.2 Purchase Price Allocation

Schedule 4.2 (the "Asset Allocation Schedule") allocates the Purchase Price (including specific allocation of the Assumed Liabilities that are liabilities for federal income Tax purposes) on a dollar basis among the Assets. The Asset Allocation Schedule will be commercially reasonable based on fair market value of the Assets and the Purchaser, and the Vendor will each file all applicable Tax Returns, if any, in accordance with the Asset Allocation Schedule. To the extent applicable, the Purchaser, on the one hand, and the Vendor, on the other hand, each agrees to provide the other promptly with any other information reasonably required to complete any Tax Returns.

ARTICLE 5 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PURCHASER

The Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to the Vendor, as follows:

5.1 Organization

The Purchaser is duly organized and validly existing under the Laws of the jurisdiction in which it is organized. The Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations pursuant to each of the Transaction Documents to which it is or will become a party.

5.2 Corporate Power

The Purchaser is qualified to do business as contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and to own or lease and operate its properties and assets, including the Assets, except to the extent that the failure to be so qualified would not materially hinder, delay or impair the Purchaser's ability to carry out its obligations under, and to consummate the transactions contemplated by, this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is or will become a party.

5.3 Authorization

The execution, delivery and performance of each Transaction Document to which the Purchaser is a party will have been duly authorized by the Purchaser at the time of its execution and delivery. Assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Vendor, each Transaction Document to which the Purchaser is a party constitutes, or upon execution thereof will constitute, a valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser, enforceable against the Purchaser in accordance with its respective terms, except as such

enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of public policy.

5.4 No Breach

The execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of each of the Transaction Documents to which the Purchaser is, or on the Closing Date will be, a party do not and will not conflict with or result in a breach of the terms, conditions or provisions of, constitute a default under, result in a violation of, or require any consent (other than the Transfer Approvals) or other action by or declaration or notice to any Government Entity pursuant to (i) the constating documents of the Purchaser; (ii) any Contract or other document to which the Purchaser is a party or to which any of its assets is subject; or (iii) any Laws to which the Purchaser or any of its assets is subject, except, in the case of (ii) and (iii) above, for such defaults, violations, actions and notifications that would not individually or in the aggregate materially hinder, delay or impair the performance by the Purchaser of any of its obligations under any Transaction Document.

5.5 Acknowledgement of Scope of Vendor's Representations and Warranties

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TMC, TNB, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person, is making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, beyond those expressly given by the Vendor in Article 6 (as may be modified by the Disclosure Schedules), or with respect to any other information provided to the Purchaser in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, including without limitation as to the probable success or profitability of the ownership, use or operation of the Business and the Assets after the Closing. The Purchaser further acknowledges that neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TMC, TNB, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person has made any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TMM, the Assets, the Business, the Mine, Ruttan, or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement not expressly set forth in this Agreement, and neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TMC, TNB, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person will have or be subject to liability to the Purchaser or any other Person resulting from the distribution to the Purchaser or its representatives or the Purchaser's use of, any such information, including data room information provided to the Purchaser, or its representatives, in connection with the sale of the Assets. The Purchaser acknowledges that it has conducted to its satisfaction its own independent investigation and due diligence of the Assets, the Business, the Mine, and, in making the determination to proceed with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the Purchaser has relied on the results of its own independent investigation.

5.6 As-Is Where-is Transaction

The Purchaser hereby acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the Purchaser is solely responsible for carrying out its own due diligence investigations of the Assets and Assumed Liabilities; (ii) by deciding to proceed with the transactions contemplated herein the Purchaser has relied on and is satisfied with all the results of its investigations; and (iii) except as otherwise expressly provided in Article 6 of this Agreement, neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TMC, TNB, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person is making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, with respect to any matter relating to the Assets, the Business, the Mine, Ruttan, and the Vendor's ownership and operation thereof or any Encumbrances or Liabilities (including Environmental Liabilities) associated therewith, and the quantity, quality, suitability for mining or costs of mining of any mineral reserves included in the Assets. Without in any way limiting the foregoing, the Purchaser acknowledges that neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TMC, TNB, their representatives and their agents, nor any Person has given, will not be

deemed to have given, and hereby disclaims any warranty, express or implied, of merchantability of fitness for any particular purpose as to any portion of the Assets, the Business, the Mine or Ruttan. Accordingly, the Purchaser agrees to accept the Assets at the Closing "As is" "Where is" and "With All Faults".

5.7 Brokers

Except for fees and commissions that will be paid by the Purchaser, no broker, finder or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's or similar fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates.

5.8 GST/HST Registration

The Purchaser will be duly registered as of the Closing under Subdivision D of Division V of Part IX of the ETA and will provide to the Vendor its registration number no later than 10 days prior to Closing.

5.9 Financing

The Purchaser has, and at all times from the date hereof through the Closing and any Post Closing period pursuant to Article 12 will have, sufficient funds available to pay the Purchase Price and all other amounts payable under the Transaction Documents and to otherwise consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and to pay all fees and expenses related thereto. The Purchaser acknowledges that its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents are not subject to any conditions regarding its ability to obtain financing for any portion of the foregoing amounts.

5.10 Transfer and Other Approvals

The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that time is of the essence in effecting the Closing and otherwise consummate the transactions contemplated herein, and that it will promptly and in a timely manner provide written requests, execute and deliver all required documents and materials and perform all necessary and required actions to obtain Transfer Approvals for the Assets listed in Schedule A from appropriate Government Entities. Except for the filing of the Certificate in accordance with the Approval and Vesting Order, and Transfer Approvals, to the best of the Purchaser's knowledge, no notice, filing, authorization, approval, order or consent is required to be given, filed or obtained by the Purchaser to or from any Government Entity or third party in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

5.11 Purchaser's Qualifications to Obtain Transfer Approvals and Hold Permits and Licences

The Purchaser is aware of no facts that would prevent the issuance of Transfer Approvals from any Government Entities for the transfer of the Permits and Licences to the Purchaser or for the obtaining of replacement Permits and Licences by the Purchaser for those Permits and Licences presently held by TMM that are not transferable.

ARTICLE 6

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE VENDOR

6.1 Representations and Warranties of Vendor

The Vendor hereby represents and warrants to the Purchaser as follows:

- (a) the Monitor has been appointed as the Monitor of TMM pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order, and such order is in full force and effect as of the date hereof; and
- (b) the Vendor is not and will not be at the Closing, a non-resident of Canada for the purposes of Section 116 of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

6.2 No Other Representations and Warranties of the Vendor or Monitor

Except for the representations and warranties of the Vendor contained in this Article 6, neither the Vendor, the Monitor, the Receiver, TMC, TNB, their representatives and their agents, nor any other Person nor any other Person has made or makes any other express or implied representation or warranty, either written or oral, on behalf of the Vendor, the Receiver, the Monitor, TMC or TNB, whether in respect of the Assets, the Business, the Mine, Ruttan or otherwise, including any representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of any information regarding TMM furnished or made available to Purchaser and its representatives or as to the future revenue, profitability or success of TMM, the Assets, the Business, the Mine, or Ruttan, or any representation or warranty arising from statute or otherwise at Law.

ARTICLE 7

COVENANTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

7.1 Approval of the Court

7.1.1 The Purchaser acknowledges that this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby are subject to the approval of the Court and the terms of the Approval and Vesting Order.

7.2 Co-operation

- 7.2.1 Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, each Party will use its commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, and cooperate with each other in order to do, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Law to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement as soon as practicable, and to effect the Closing on the Target Closing Date, including the preparation and filing of all forms, registrations and notices required to be filed to consummate the Closing, making witnesses available in the Court or by declaration, as necessary, in complying with the Approval and Vesting Order, and the taking of such actions as are necessary to obtain any requisite consent from a Government Entity in New Brunswick or federally in Canada or other Third Party; provided, however, at no time will the Vendor be obligated to make any payment or deliver anything of value to any Third Party (other than filing with and payment of any application fees to Government Entities in New Brunswick or federally in Canada, all of which will be paid or reimbursed by the Purchaser) in order to obtain any consent.
- 7.2.2 Each of the Vendor and the Purchaser will promptly notify the other of the occurrence, to such Party's knowledge, of any event or condition, or the existence, to such Party's knowledge, of any fact, that

would reasonably be expected to result in (i) any of the conditions set forth in Article 9 not being satisfied; or (ii) any of the representations and warranties in Article 5 or Article 6 not being true and correct.

7.3 Transfer Approvals

- 7.3.1 To the extent required by applicable Laws, each Party agrees to prepare and file as promptly as practicable and in any event, within 7 Business Days from the execution of this Agreement: (i) all filings and applications required and desirable to obtain; and (ii) all other necessary documents, registrations, statements, petitions, filings and applications for, or to obtain, any required Transfer Approvals and any other consent of any other Government Entities in New Brunswick or federally in Canada required to satisfy the condition set forth in Section 9.1(d)
- Each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) cooperate with each other in connection with any filing or submission and in connection with any investigation or other inquiry, including any proceeding initiated by a private party; (ii) keep the other Party informed in all material respects of any material communication received by such Party from, or given by such Party to, any Government Entity and of any material communication received or given in connection with any proceeding by a private party, in each case regarding any of the transactions contemplated hereby; and (iii) permit the other Party to review any material communication given to it by, and consult with each other in advance of any meeting or conference with any Government Entity, including in connection with any proceeding by a private party. The foregoing obligations in this Section 7.3.2 will be subject to any solicitor-client, work product or other privilege, and each Party hereto will coordinate and cooperate fully with the other Party hereto in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as such other Party may reasonably request in connection with the foregoing. The Parties will not take any action that will have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding the receipt of any required authorizations, consents, Orders or approvals. Fees incurred in connection with complying with any Law pursuant to this Section 7.3.2, and any filing or other administrative fees or costs incurred in connection with obtaining the Transfer Approvals will be borne solely by the Purchaser.
- 7.3.3 If any objections are asserted with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby under any Law or if any suit is instituted by any Government Entity or any private party challenging any of the transactions contemplated hereby as being in violation of any Law or if the filing pursuant to this Section 7.3 is reasonably likely to be rejected or conditioned by a federal, provincial or territorial Government Entity, each Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resolve such objections or challenge as such Government Entity or private party may have to such transactions, including to vacate, lift, reverse or overturn any Action, whether temporary, preliminary or permanent, so as to permit consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 7.3.4 The Purchaser will use its commercially reasonable efforts to satisfy (or cause the satisfaction of) the conditions precedent to the Purchaser's obligations associated with the Closing hereunder as set forth in Section 9.1 and Section 9.3 to the extent the same is within its control and to take, or cause to be taken, all other action and to do, or cause to be done, all other things necessary, proper or advisable under all applicable Laws to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including using its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain all the Transfer Approvals in accordance with Section 7.3.5, and any other Third Party consents required to be obtained, in order for the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 7.3.5 No later than 3 Business Days after the execution of this Agreement, the Purchaser agrees to contact applicable Government Entities and use its commercially reasonable efforts to understand the

requirements associated with the timely transfer of the Assets listed in Schedule A from the Vendor to the Purchaser including in order to obtain, as of the Closing Date, replacement Permits and Licences for those Permits and Licences presently held by TMM that are not transferable. Prior to the Closing, the Purchaser: (i) will file with DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities in New Brunswick or federally in Canada, all applications, requests for consent, and other instruments required to transfer those Permits and Licences which are subject to approval or other processing by such Government Entities, from the Vendor to the Purchaser (including the posting and acceptance of whatever fees or financial assurance instruments that may be required in connection with such approval or other processing); (ii) will file with DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities in New Brunswick or federally in Canada all applications, instruments or notices for approval or other processing by such Government Entities, as may be necessary to obtain replacement Permits and Licences as of the Closing Date for those Permits and Licences presently held by TMM that are not transferable (including the posting and acceptance by the appropriate Government Entity of whatever fees or financial assurance instruments are required in connection with such approval or other processing); and (iii) obtain the consent from DNRED or other appropriate Government Entities in New Brunswick or federally in Canada to transfer those Assets from TMM and the Vendor to the Purchaser described in (i), and the issuance from the appropriate Government Entities of new Permits and Licences that are not transferrable to the Purchaser described in (ii); with those items referenced in sub-clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) above collectively referred to as the "Transfer Approvals".

7.3.6 The Purchaser will diligently pursue on a commercially reasonable efforts basis all Transfer Approvals necessary to complete the transfer of such Permits and Licences from TMM and the Vendor to the Purchaser or obtain new Permits and Licences in the Purchaser's own name as of the Closing Date (acknowledging that all such Transfer Approvals will be contingent on the consummation of the Closing unless the terms of this Agreement provide otherwise), and will keep the Vendor apprised of the status of its efforts to secure such Transfer Approvals.

7.3.7 All of the Transfer Approvals must be in place and effective as of the Closing Date, and the Purchaser will have no right to conduct any activities under any of the Permits and Licences or Contracts that has not been assigned, transferred or re-issued to the Purchaser.

7.4 Replacement of Bonds

Prior to the Closing, in order to meet certain financial assurance requirements in obtaining the Transfer Approvals (including new Permits and Licences in the name of the Purchaser), the Purchaser will provide to the appropriate Government Entities or other applicable party a firm undertaking (including submission of evidence of financial assurance in a form acceptable to the Government Entities or other party), and (subject only to the payment of required premiums by the Purchaser and the Closing) will post, effective as of the Closing Date, the requisite bonds (including any reclamation bond) and any other financial assurance instruments (collectively, the "Bonds") that may be required, in a form and amount acceptable to the Government Entities and other applicable Third Party. The Purchaser agrees to cooperate and work with the Government Entities or other parties to ensure that the required bonds and other financial assurance instruments become effective promptly after the applications to transfer are accepted by the Government Entities or other applicable parties and bond determinations are provided and to ensure the posting and acceptance by the Government Entities of the required bond and other financial assurance instruments, thereby allowing the complete, immediate and unrestricted release of the financial assurance instruments currently provided by TMM to the Government Entities.

7.5 Pre-Closing Access to Information

Prior to the Closing, the Vendor will (a) give the Purchaser and its authorized representatives, upon advance notice and during regular business hours, access to all books, records, reports, plans, certificates, files, documents and information related to the Assets, personnel, officers and other facilities and properties of the Business; and (b) permit the Purchaser to make such copies and inspections thereof, upon advance notice and during regular business hours, as the Purchaser may reasonably request; provided, however, that (i) any such access will be conducted at Purchaser's expense, in accordance with applicable Laws, under the supervision of the Vendor's personnel and in such a manner as to maintain confidentiality and not to interfere with the normal operations of the businesses of the Vendor and its Affiliates; and (ii) the Vendor will not be required to provide to the Purchaser access to or copies of any records of former employees.

7.6 Public Announcements

Except as necessary for the Party to make any filing with the Court to obtain approval of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and upon 24 hours' advance notice of such public announcement or press release, no Party will issue any press release or public announcement concerning this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement without obtaining the prior written approval of the other Party, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, unless, in the reasonable judgment of the Purchaser or the Vendor, disclosure is otherwise required by applicable Law, or the Court with respect to filings to be made with the Court in connection with this Agreement, provided that the Party intending to make such release will use its reasonable best efforts consistent with such applicable Law or the Court's or other regulatory requirements, to consult with the other Party with respect to the text thereof.

7.7 Further Actions

From and after the Closing Date, each Party will execute and deliver such documents and other papers and take such further actions as may reasonably be required to carry out the provisions of this Agreement and give effect to the transactions contemplated herein, including the execution and delivery of such assignments, deeds and other documents as may be necessary to transfer any Assets as provided in this Agreement; provided that, the Vendor will not be obligated to make any payment or deliver anything of value to any Third Party (other than filing with and payment of any application fees to Government Entities, all of which will be paid or reimbursed by the Purchaser) in order to obtain any consent to the transfer of Assets or the assumption of Assumed Liabilities.

7.8 [Intentionally reserved]

7.9 Transaction Expenses

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements (including, without limitation, Section 11.2), each of the Purchaser and the Vendor will bear its own costs and expenses (including brokerage commissions, finders' fees or similar compensation, and legal fees and expenses) incurred in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby.

7.10 Certain Payments or Instruments Received from Third Parties

To the extent that, after the Closing Date: (a) the Purchaser receives any payment or instrument that is for the account of the Vendor according to the terms of this Agreement, the Purchaser will promptly deliver such amount or instrument to the Vendor; and (b) the Vendor receives any payment that is for the account of the Purchaser according to the terms of this Agreement or relates primarily to the Business, the Vendor will promptly deliver such amount or instrument to the Purchaser. All amounts due and payable under this Section 7.10 will be due and payable by the applicable Party in immediately available funds, by wire transfer to the account designated in writing by the relevant Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Party hereby undertakes to use reasonable commercial efforts to direct or forward all bills, invoices or like instruments to the appropriate Party.

7.11 Deemed Consent

For the purposes of this Agreement, the Purchaser will be deemed to have obtained all required consents in respect of the assignment of any Contract if, and to the extent that, pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order, the Vendor is authorized to assign to the Purchaser such Contract pursuant to the provisions of applicable Insolvency Laws.

7.12 Notification of Certain Matters

The Vendor will give written notice to the Purchaser and the Purchaser will give written notice to the Vendor, as applicable, promptly after becoming aware of: (a) the occurrence of any event, which would be likely to cause any condition set forth in Article 9 to be unsatisfied in any material respect at any time from the date hereof to the Closing Date; or (b) any notice or other communication from: (i) any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; or (ii) any Government Entity in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 7.12 will not limit or otherwise affect the remedies available hereunder to the Vendor or to the Purchaser.

7.13 Casualty Loss

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, if, before the Closing, all or any portion of the Assets is: (a) condemned or taken by eminent domain; or (b) a material portion is damaged or destroyed by fire or other casualty; then the Vendor will notify the Purchaser promptly in writing of such fact, and (i) in the case of condemnation or taking, the Vendor will assign or pay, as the case may be, any proceeds thereof to the Purchaser at the Closing; and (ii) in the case of fire or other casualty, the Vendor will, at its option, either restore such damage or assign the insurance proceeds therefrom to the Purchaser at Closing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 7.13 will not in any way modify the Purchaser's other rights under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8 TAX MATTERS

8.1 Transfer Taxes

8.1.1 The Parties agree that the Purchase Price is exclusive of any Transfer Taxes. Subject to Section 8.2, the Purchaser shall, on Closing, pay any and all Transfer Taxes including GST/HST that are

properly payable to the Vendor under applicable Law in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein and the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated therein. Furthermore, the Purchaser shall promptly pay directly to the appropriate Governmental Authority any and all Transfer Taxes that are properly payable under applicable Law in connection with this Agreement directly to the appropriate Governmental Authority, and promptly provide to the Vendor proof of such payment.

8.1.2 If the Purchaser wishes to claim any exemption relating to, or a reduced rate of, Transfer Taxes, in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated herein or the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated therein, the Purchaser will be solely responsible for ensuring that such exemption or election applies and, in that regard, will provide the Vendor prior to the Closing with its permit number, GST/HST number, or other similar registration numbers and/or any appropriate certificate of exemption, election and/or other document or evidence to support the claimed entitlement to such exemption or reduced rate by the Purchaser. The Vendor will make reasonable efforts to cooperate to the extent necessary to obtain any such exemption or reduced rate.

8.2 Tax Election

8.2.1 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Vendor and the Purchaser agree that, on the Closing Date, they shall jointly execute elections under section 167 of the ETA with respect to the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets by the Vendor. The Vendor and the Purchaser shall make the election on the prescribed form containing the prescribed information and such election form shall be filed by the Purchaser in accordance with the requirements of the ETA, and promptly thereafter, the Purchaser shall confirm to the Vendor in writing that such election form has been so filed. The Purchaser shall indemnify and hold the Vendor, as well as its shareholders, directors and employees, harmless in respect of any (i) GST/HST under the ETA that may be assessed against, or incurred by, the Vendor in relation to the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets, and (ii) any penalties, interests and/or costs, including reasonable professional fees which may become payable by or assessed against the Vendor as a result of the transaction set forth in this Agreement not being eligible for such election, notably as a consequence of the Purchaser's failure to file the election form within the prescribed time, or any failure in acceptance by any Governmental Authority of this election. This covenant to indemnify shall survive the Closing and shall continue in full force and effect for the benefit of the Vendor until the expiration of the time during which the relevant Governmental Authority may assess the Vendor in respect of the sale, assignment and transfer of the Assets (as extended pursuant to any waivers, including extensions).

8.3 Tax Characterization of Payments under this Agreement

The Vendor and the Purchaser agree to treat all payments made either to or for the benefit of the other Party under this Agreement as adjustments to the Purchase Price for Tax purposes and that such treatment will govern for purposes hereof to the extent permitted under applicable Tax Law.

8.4 Records

After the Closing Date, the Purchaser and the Vendor, will each make available to the other, as reasonably requested, and to any Tax Authority, all information, records or documents relating to liability for Taxes with respect to the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Business for all periods prior to or including the Closing Date, and will preserve such information, records or documents until the expiration of any applicable statute of limitations or extensions thereof. In the event that one Party needs access to records in the possession of the other Party relating to any of the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, or the Business for purposes of preparing Tax Returns or complying with any Tax audit reguest, subpoena or other

investigative demand by any Tax Authority, or for any other legitimate Tax-related purpose not injurious to the second Party, the other Party will allow representatives of the other Party access to such records during regular business hours at the other Party's place of business for the sole purpose of obtaining information for use as aforesaid and will permit such other Party to make extracts and copies thereof as may be necessary or convenient. The obligation to cooperate pursuant to this paragraph will terminate at the time the relevant applicable statute of limitations expires (giving effect to any extension thereof).

8.5 Tax Allocation

For purposes of Section 3.3(c) all real and personal property Taxes and similar ad valorem obligations levied with respect to the Assets, whether imposed or assessed before or after the Closing Date ("Periodic Taxes") for a taxable period that includes (but does not end on) the Closing Date (a "Straddle **Period**"), will be apportioned between the Vendor and the Purchaser as of the Closing Date based on the number of days of such taxable period included in the period ending with and including the Closing Date (together with periods ending before the Closing Date, the "Pre-Closing Tax Period"), and the number of days of such taxable period beginning after the Closing Date (together with any periods beginning after the Closing Date, the "Post-Closing Tax Period"). At the Closing, Periodic Taxes with respect to each Asset for the applicable Tax period will be prorated in accordance with the foregoing provisions based on the Tax assessment for such Asset for the applicable Tax period, if available, or otherwise, based on the last available Tax assessment with respect to such Asset. The Vendor will be responsible for such Periodic Taxes attributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods and the Purchaser will be responsible for such Periodic Taxes attributable to Post-Closing Tax Periods. At the Closing, (x) the Vendor will pay to the Purchaser an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the (i) unpaid Periodic Taxes attributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods over (ii) Periodic Taxes paid by the Vendor but apportioned hereunder to the Purchaser for Straddle Periods (each determined in accordance with the foregoing principles); or (y) the Purchaser will pay to the Vendor an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (i) Periodic Taxes apportioned to the Purchaser with respect to Straddle Periods but previously paid by the Vendor, over (ii) unpaid Periodic Taxes contributable to Pre-Closing Tax Periods, as applicable. The Purchaser will also be responsible for preparing and filing all Periodic Tax returns required to be filed after the Closing Date.

ARTICLE 9 CONDITIONS OF CLOSING

9.1 Conditions to Each Party's Obligation

The Parties' obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents is subject to the satisfaction or the express written waiver of the Parties, at or prior to the Closing, of the following conditions:

- (a) receipt of an executed copy of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;
- (b) there will be in effect no Law or Order prohibiting the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby that has not been withdrawn or terminated;
- (c) the Approval and Vesting Order having been granted by the Court, in a form satisfactory to both Parties;
- (d) all required Transfer Approvals will have been granted, in a form satisfactory to both Parties;

- (e) all required Third Party consents associated with the assignment of the Contracts (or waivers thereof) will have been obtained;
- (f) there will be in effect no Law or Order prohibiting the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby that has not been withdrawn or terminated; and
- (g) no action or proceeding (including the appeal of, motion to vary, stay or vacate, or, motion for leave to appeal the Approval and Vesting Order) will be outstanding, pending or threatened by any Person, government, governmental authority, regulatory body or agency to challenge the Approval and Vesting Order or enjoin, restrict or to prohibit the sale and purchase of the Assets contemplated hereby.

9.2 Conditions to Vendor's Obligation

The Vendor's obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents will be subject to the fulfillment (or express written waiver by the Vendor), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following additional conditions:

- (a) each representation and warranty of the Purchaser contained in Article 5 will be true and correct: (i) as if restated on and as of the Closing Date; or (ii) if made as of a date specified therein, as of such date. The Vendor will have received a certificate of the Purchaser to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (b) the covenants, obligations, and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Purchaser on or before the Closing will have been complied with and not been breached in any material respect as determined in the sole discretion of the Vendor. The Vendor will have received a certificate of Purchaser to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof; and
- (c) each of the deliveries required to be made to the Vendor pursuant to Section 10.2 will have been so delivered.

9.3 Conditions to Purchaser's Obligation

The Purchaser's obligation to effect the Closing and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Transaction Documents will be subject to the fulfillment (or express written waiver by the Purchaser), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following additional conditions:

- (a) each of the representations and warranties of the Vendor set forth in Article 6 will be true and correct: (i) as if restated on and as of the Closing Date; or (ii) if made as of a date specified therein, as of such date, except in each case for any failure to be true and correct that has not had a Material Adverse Effect. The Purchaser will have received a certificate of the Vendor to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;
- (b) the covenants, obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Vendor on or before the Closing will have been complied with and not been breached in any material respect. The Purchaser will have received a certificate of the Vendor to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof;

- (c) there will not have occurred any changes, effects or circumstances constituting, or which would be reasonably likely to result in, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect; and
- (d) each of the deliveries required to be made to the Purchaser pursuant to Section 10.2 will have been so delivered.

ARTICLE 10 CLOSING

10.1 Closing Date and Time

The Closing will take place at the offices of Dentons, 20th Floor, 250 Howe Street Vancouver, British Columbia, commencing at 10:00 am local time on a date that is on or before the Target Closing Date, subject to the conditions set forth in Article 9 (other than conditions to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the waiver or fulfilment of those conditions) having been satisfied or, if permissible, waived by the Vendor or Purchaser, as applicable or at such other place, date and time as will be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Purchaser and the Vendor (the "Closing Date"). At the Closing, legal title and equitable title with respect to the Assets will transfer to the Purchaser.

10.2 Closing Deliveries

At the Closing, each Party shall deliver or cause to be delivered the following:

- (a) The Vendor and the Purchaser will each execute and deliver duly executed copies of each of the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party.
- (b) The Vendor and the Purchaser will deliver the officer's certificates required to be delivered pursuant to Article 9, as applicable.
- (c) The Vendor will deliver an entered copy of the Approval and Vesting Order.
- (d) Each Party will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the other any other documents reasonably requested by such other Party in order to effect, or evidence the consummation of, the transactions contemplated herein or otherwise provided for under this Agreement.
- (e) The Purchaser will pay to, or cause to be paid to, as directed by the Vendor, in cash, the Cash Payment, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account or accounts designated by the Vendor.
- (f) Each Party will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the other any other documents reasonably requested by such other Party in order to effect, or evidence the consummation of, the transactions contemplated herein or otherwise provided for under this Agreement.

10.3 Filing of Certificate

As soon as reasonably practical following the Closing, the Monitor will file the Certificate, confirming that the Closing has completed, provided that the Purchaser is not, at that time, in breach of any of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement or any other Agreement between the Vendor and the Purchaser or

any agreement between a Government Entity and the Purchaser, the Approval and Vesting Order or any other Order of the Court.

ARTICLE 11 TERMINATION

11.1 Termination

This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

- (a) by mutual written consent of the Vendor and the Purchaser;
- (b) by the Vendor, in its sole discretion, if any of the conditions set in Section 9.1 or Section
 9.2 are incapable of being satisfied by the Outside Date and the Vendor has not waived such condition at or prior to Closing;
- (c) by the Purchaser if any of the conditions set in Section 9.1 or Section 9.3 are incapable of being satisfied by the Outside Date and the Purchaser has not waived such condition at or prior to Closing; or
- (d) by either Party, upon written notice to the other:
 - (i) if an Order is made prohibiting or otherwise precluding the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby; or
 - (ii) if the Closing does not take place by the Outside Date;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 11.1(d) will not be available to any Party whose breach hereof has been the principal cause of, or has directly resulted in, the event or condition purportedly giving rise to a right to terminate this Agreement under such clause.

11.2 Effects of Termination

If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 11.1, all further obligations of the Parties under or pursuant to this Agreement will terminate without further liability of any Party to the other except for the provisions of (a) Section 7.6 (Public Announcements); (b) Section 7.9 (Transaction Expenses); (c) Section 11.2 (Effects of Termination); (d) Section 13.6 (Successors and Assigns); (e) Section 13.7 (Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction); and (f) Section 13.8 (Notices).

ARTICLE 12 POST CLOSING ACTIVITIES AND AGREEMENTS

12.1 Responsibility for Services to the Mine

All charges for water, electricity, natural gas, telephone, sewer, trash disposal and other recurring services provided to the Mine which relate to such services provided prior to the Closing Date will be for the account of GNB, and all charges for such services provided on and after the Closing Date will be for the account of Purchaser, regardless of the date on which the invoice or other statement for such services

is rendered. The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that as of the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing, the Province has stepped in as regulator to perform legally required care and maintenance activities to mitigate environmental consequences to the Property and will continue to do so until Closing.

12.2 General Post-Closing Access to the Assets

In addition to the other provisions hereof granting to the Vendor access to the Mine after the Closing Date for certain specified purposes, the Parties agree that upon reasonable prior notice to Purchaser, the Vendor and the Monitor will be given reasonable access to the other Assets, including, without limitation, all financial and corporate books and records of TMM and copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business, as necessary to enable the Vendor and the Monitor to carry out or respond to day-to-day operational requirements, reporting requirements of Government Entities, removal of Excluded Assets from the Mine, ongoing tax and accounting functions and obligations, and other activities of the Vendor with respect to the sale of the Assets and the winding down of TMM's responsibilities with respect thereto. All such activities of TMM and the Monitor will be conducted in a manner which complies with Purchaser's safety and operating procedures and in a manner which will not interfere unreasonably with the activities of Purchaser. The Purchaser will retain all financial and corporate books and records of TMM, including, without limitation, copies of Tax records related to the Assets and the Business, for the statutory periods required by any Law.

ARTICLE 13 MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 No Survival of Representations and Warranties or Covenants

No representations or warranties, covenants or agreements in this Agreement or in any instrument delivered pursuant to this Agreement will survive beyond the Closing Date. Accordingly, no claim of any nature whatsoever for breach of such representations, warranties, covenants or agreements may be made, or Action instituted, after the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the covenants and agreements that by their terms are to be satisfied after the Closing Date will survive until satisfied in accordance with their terms.

13.2 Supplement to Disclosure Schedules

From time to time prior to the Closing, the Vendor will supplement or amend the Disclosure Schedules with respect to any matter that, if existing, occurring or known at the date of this Agreement, would have been required to be set forth or described in the Disclosure Schedules. The Disclosure Schedules will be deemed amended by all such supplements and amendments for all purposes (except for purposes of determining whether the conditions set forth in Article 9 of the Agreement have been satisfied).

13.3 Remedies

No failure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement by any Party will operate as a waiver of such right, remedy, power or privilege, nor will any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege under this Agreement preclude any other or further exercise of such right, remedy, power or privilege or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege.

13.4 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties and their permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or will confer upon any other Person any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

13.5 Consent to Amendments; Waivers

No Party will be deemed to have waived any provision of this Agreement or any of the other Transaction Documents unless such waiver is in writing, and then such waiver will be limited to the circumstances set forth in such written waiver. The Transaction Documents will not be amended, altered or qualified except by an instrument in writing signed by all the Parties hereto or thereto, as the case may be.

13.6 Successors and Assigns

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, all representations, warranties, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement or any of the Ancillary Agreements by or on behalf of the Parties thereto will be binding upon and enure to the benefit of such Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder may be assigned by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent may be withheld in such Party's sole discretion, except for (i) assignment to an Affiliate of a Party (provided that such Party remains liable jointly and severally with its assignee Affiliate for the assigned obligations to the other Party); and (ii) assignment by the Vendor pursuant to an order of Court, which will not require the consent of the Purchaser.

13.7 Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction

13.7.1 Any questions, claims, disputes, remedies or Actions arising from or related to this Agreement, and any relief or remedies sought by any Parties, will be governed exclusively by the Laws of the Province of British Columbia and Environmental Law without regard to the rules of conflict of laws applied therein or any other jurisdiction.

13.7.2 To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, each Party (i) agrees that any claim, action or proceeding by such Party seeking any relief whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby will be brought only in the Court, if brought prior to the entry of a final order closing the CCAA Proceedings; (ii) agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court, for purposes of all legal proceedings arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; (iii) waives and agrees not to assert any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of the venue of any such Action brought in such court or any claim that any such Action brought in such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum; (iv) agrees that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in Section 13.8 or any other manner as may be permitted by Law will be valid and sufficient service thereof; and (v) agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding will be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

13.8 Notices

All demands, notices, communications and reports provided for in this Agreement will be deemed given if in writing and delivered, if sent by telecopy, electronic mail, courier or sent by reputable overnight courier service (delivery charges prepaid) to any Party at the address specified below, or at such other

address, to the attention of such other Person, and with such other copy, as the recipient Party has specified by prior written notice to the sending Party pursuant to the provisions of this Section 13.8.

(a) If to the Purchaser, to:

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo, NB, E8K 3R8 Attention: Kevin Vienneau

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

With copies to:

Fogler, Rubinoff LLP
77 King Street West, Suite 3000
Toronto, ON M5K 1G8
Attention: Rick Moscone
Email: rmoscone@foglers.com

(b) If to the Vendor to:

FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Suite 1450 – 701 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC, V7Y 1B6 Attention: Email:

With copies to the Vendor's counsel:

Dentons Canada LLP

250 Howe Street, 20th Floor Vancouver, BC, V6C 3R1 Attention: John R. Sandrelli

Email: john.sandrelli@dentons.com

Any such demand, notice, communication or report will be deemed to have been given pursuant to this Agreement when delivered personally, when confirmed if by facsimile transmission or electronic mail, or on the calendar day after deposit with a reputable overnight courier service, as applicable.

13.9 Exhibits, Disclosure Schedules

The Disclosure Schedules and the Exhibits attached hereto constitute a part of this Agreement and are incorporated into this Agreement for all purposes as if fully set forth herein.

13.10 Counterparts

The Parties may execute this Agreement in two or more counterparts (no one of which need contain the signatures of all Parties) and deliver the Agreement by facsimile or other form of electronic transmission, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

13.11 No Presumption

The Parties agree that this Agreement was negotiated fairly between them at arm's length and that the final terms of this Agreement are the product of the Parties' negotiations. Each Party represents and warrants that it has sought and received experienced legal counsel of its own choosing with regard to the contents of this Agreement and the rights and obligations affected hereby. The Parties agree that this Agreement will be deemed to have been jointly and equally drafted by them, and that the provisions of this Agreement therefore should not be construed either for or against a Party on the grounds that such Party drafted or was more responsible for drafting the provisions.

13.12 Severability

If any provision, clause, or part of this Agreement, or the application thereof under certain circumstances, is held invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in any jurisdiction, (i) as to such jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such provision, clause or part under other circumstances; and (ii) as for any other jurisdiction, any provision of this Agreement, will not be affected and will remain in full force and effect, unless, in each case, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability in such jurisdiction materially impairs the ability of the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Upon such determination that any clause or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in such jurisdiction, the Parties will negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in a mutually acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible even in such jurisdiction.

13.13 Specific Performance

13.13.1 The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that any breach of the terms of this Agreement by Purchaser would give rise to irreparable harm for which money damages would not be an adequate remedy, and, accordingly agrees that, in addition to any other remedies, the Vendor will be entitled to enforce the terms of this Agreement, including, for the avoidance of doubt, Purchaser's obligation to fund the Purchase Price, by a decree of specific performance without the necessity of proving the inadequacy of money damages as a remedy and without the necessity of posting a bond.

13.13.2 The Purchaser agrees that it will not oppose the granting of an injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement on the basis that (i) there is adequate remedy at law; or (ii) an award of specific performance is not an appropriate remedy for any reason at law or equity. In the event the Vendor seeks an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement when expressly available pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, it will not be required to provide any bond or other security in connection with any such order or injunction.

13.14 Entire Agreement

This Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements set forth the entire understanding of the Parties relating to the subject matter thereof, and all prior or contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations and warranties, whether written or oral, are superseded by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, and all such prior or contemporaneous understandings, agreements, representations and warranties are hereby terminated. In the event of any irreconcilable conflict between this Agreement and any of the Ancillary Agreements, the provisions of this Agreement will prevail.

13.15 Damages

Under no circumstances will any Party be liable for punitive damages or indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or any breach or alleged breach of any of the terms hereof, including damages alleged as a result of tortious conduct.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

TREVALI MINING (MARITIMES) LTD., by FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC., solely in its capacity as court-appointed monitor and not in any other capacity

By:		
	Name:	
	Title:	
	BATHU	RST METALLIC CORP.
Ву:		Kevin Vienneau
	Name:	Kevin Vienneau
	Title:	President

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Ву:	
	Name:
	Title:
	BATHURST METALLIC CORP.
Ву:	
	Name:
	Title:

EXHIBIT A FORM OF APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER

[see attached]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, C. 57, AS AMENDED AND THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.N.B. 1981, C. B-9.1, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (SALE APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER)

))	
BEFORE) THE HONOURABLE MADAM)	[DD]/[MMM]/2024
) JUSTICE FITZPATRICK)	
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ON THE APPLICATION of FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacity as court-appointed monitor (in such capacity, the "Monitor") of Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC"), coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the [-] day of [MONTH], 2024; AND ON HEARING John Sandrelli, counsel for the Monitor, and those other counsel listed on Schedule "A" hereto; AND UPON READING the material filed, including the [Seventeenth] Report of the Monitor dated [-], 2024 (the "Report"); AND pursuant to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36 as amended (the "CCAA"), the British Columbia Supreme Court Civil Rules, and the inherent jurisdiction of this Honourable Court;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that:

- 1. Effective as of the date of this Order, Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. ("**TMM**") is hereby added as a Petitioner in this proceeding, and, for greater certainty:
 - (a) the Amended and Restated Initial Order granted August 29, 2022 (the "ARIO"), is amended such that TMM shall for all purposes be deemed to be one of the Petitioners as set out in the ARIO;
 - (b) TMM is hereby granted all of the rights and protections afforded to the Petitioners by the ARIO, as may be amended, including without limitation any extension of the Stay of Proceedings (as defined in the ARIO);
 - (c) the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, subject to the dispensation of certain requirements as provided for by this Order, is hereby directed and empowered to perform such duties with respect to TMM as the Monitor is required to perform with respect to the Petitioners pursuant to the ARIO or by further order of this Court from time to time;
 - (d) the Charges as defined in and created by the ARIO shall constitute a charge on the Property (as defined in the ARIO) of TMM with such priorities and protections as are provided to the Charges in the ARIO in connection with the Property;
 - (e) the Enhanced Monitor's Powers Order granted June 28, 2023 (the "EMP Order"), shall be amended such that TMM shall for all purposes be deemed to be the Petitioner, along with TMC, as set out in the EMP Order, and the Monitor's enhanced powers under the EMP Order shall also apply with respect to TMM, including, but not limited to, executing the Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 27, 2024 (the "Sale Agreement") between the Monitor and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the "Purchaser"), a copy of which is attached as Appendix "A" to the Report; and
 - (f) without limiting the generality of the above, all of the protections afforded to the Monitor under the ARIO, the EMP Order, under the *CCAA* and as an officer this Court, extend to TMM, its Property (as defined in the ARIO) and any actions taking in respect of TMM.
- 2. The Monitor's obligation to publish the notice prescribed by section 23(1)(a)(i) of the CCAA with respect to TMM is hereby dispensed with.

- 3. The sale transaction (the "**Transaction**") contemplated by the Sale Agreement is hereby approved, and the Sale Agreement is commercially reasonable. The execution of the Sale Agreement by the Monitor is hereby authorized and approved, with such minor amendments to the Sale Agreement as the Monitor and the Purchaser may agree to, and the Monitor is hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for the completion of the Transaction and for the conveyance to the Purchaser of the assets described in the Sale Agreement (the "**Assets**").
- 4. This Order shall constitute the only authorization required by the Monitor to proceed with the Transaction, and that no shareholder or other approval shall be required in connection therewith, save for those authorizations contemplated in the Sale Agreement.
- 5. Upon delivery by the Monitor to the Purchaser of a certificate substantially in the form attached as Schedule "B" hereto (the "Monitor's Certificate"), all of the TMM's right, title and interest in and to the Assets described in the Sale Agreement and listed on Schedule "C" hereto shall vest absolutely in the Purchaser in fee simple, free and clear of and from any and all security interests (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), hypothecs, mortgages, trusts or deemed trusts (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), liens, executions, levies, charges, debentures or other financial or monetary claims, whether or not they have attached or been perfected, registered or filed and whether secured, unsecured or otherwise (collectively, the "Claims") including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (i) any encumbrances or charges created by the Orders of this Court, including, but not limited to, the ARIO; (ii) all charges, security interests or claims evidenced by registrations pursuant to the Personal Property Security Act of British Columbia, the Personal Property Security Act of New Brunswick or any other personal property registry system; and (iii) those Claims listed on Schedule "D" hereto (all of which are collectively referred to as the "Encumbrances"), and, for greater certainty, this Court orders that all of the Encumbrances affecting or relating to the Assets are hereby expunged and discharged as against the Assets.
- 6. Upon presentation for registration in the Land Registry of New Brunswick of a certified copy of this Order, together with a letter from the Monitor's counsel authorizing registration of this Order, the New Brunswick Registrar General of Land Titles is hereby directed to:
 - (a) enter the Purchaser as the owner of the Real Property, as identified in Section A.3 of <u>Schedule "C"</u> hereto (the "Real Property"), together with all buildings and other structures, facilities and improvements located thereon and fixtures, systems, interests, licenses, rights, covenants,

restrictive covenants, commons, ways, profits, privileges, rights, easements and appurtenances to the said hereditaments belonging, or with the same or any part thereof, held or enjoyed or appurtenant thereto, in fee simple in respect of the Real Property, and this Court declares that it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Court on investigation that the title of the Purchaser in and to the Real Property is a good, safe holding and marketable title and directs the New Brunswick Registrar General of Land Titles to register indefeasible title in favour of the Purchaser as aforesaid; and

- (b) having considered the interest of third parties, to discharge, release, delete and expunge from title to the Real Property all of the registered Encumbrances.
- 7. For the purposes of determining the nature and priority of Claims, the net proceeds from the sale of the Assets shall stand in the place and stead of the Assets, and from and after the delivery of the Monitor's Certificate all Claims shall attach to the net proceeds from the sale of the Assets with the same priority as they had with respect to the Assets immediately prior to the sale, as if the Assets had not been sold and remained in the possession or control of the person having had possession or control immediately prior to the sale.
- 8. The Monitor is to file with the Court a copy of the Monitor's Certificate forthwith after delivery thereof.
- 9. Pursuant to Section 7(3)(c) of the Canada *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* or Section 18(10)(o) of the *Personal Information Protection Act* of British Columbia, the Monitor is hereby authorized and permitted to disclose and transfer to the Purchaser all human resources and payroll information in the company's records pertaining to the TMM's past and current employees. The Purchaser shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and shall be entitled to use the personal information provided to it in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by TMM.
- 10. Subject to the terms of the Sale Agreement, vacant possession of the Assets, including any real property, shall be delivered by the Monitor to the Purchaser at 10:00 am PST on the Closing Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement).
- 11. The Monitor, with the consent of the Purchaser, shall be at liberty to extend the Target Closing Date and the Outside Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement) to such later date as those parties may agree without the necessity of a further Order of this Court.

12. Notwithstanding:

- (a) these proceedings;
- (b) any applications for a bankruptcy order in respect of TMM now or hereafter made pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* and any bankruptcy order issued pursuant to any such applications; and
- (c) any assignment in bankruptcy made by or in respect of TMM,

the vesting of the Assets in the Purchaser pursuant to this Order shall be binding on any trustee in bankruptcy that may be appointed in respect of TMM and shall not be void or voidable by creditors of TMM, nor shall it constitute or be deemed to be a transfer at undervalue, fraudulent preference, assignment, fraudulent conveyance or other reviewable transaction under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, nor shall it constitute oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct pursuant to any applicable federal or provincial legislation.

General

- 13. THIS COURT REQUESTS the aid and recognition of other Canadian and foreign Courts, tribunal, regulatory or administrative bodies, including any Court or administrative tribunal of any federal or State Court or administrative body in the United States of America, Burkina Faso, Namibia and South Africa to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Order where required. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to TMM and the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist TMM and the TMM and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.
- 14. The Monitor or any other party have liberty to apply for such further or other directions or relief as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order.
- 15. Endorsement of this Order by counsel appearing on this application other than counsel for the Monitor is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT CONSENT:	
Signature of John Sandrelli Lawyer for the Monitor	
	By the Court.
	Registrar

SCHEDULE "A"

LIST OF COUNSEL

Counsel Name	Party Represented
John Sandrelli	FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its capacity as court-appointed monitor of Trevali Mining Corporation

SCHEDULE "B"

FORM OF MONITOR'S CERTIFICATE

No. S-226670 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, C. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, C. 57, AS AMENDED AND THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.N.B. 1981, C. B-9.1, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

MONITOR'S CERTIFICATE

RECITALS:

- A. Pursuant to an Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Court") dated August 19, 2022, as amended and restated by an Order of the Court dated August 29, 2022, as further amended by an Order of the Court dated [-], 2024, FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as the "Monitor" of Trevali Mining Corporation ("TMC") and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. ("TMM"), pursuant to the Companies Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36 as amended.
- B. Pursuant to an Order of the Court dated June 28, 2023, as amended by an Order of the Court dated [-], 2024, the powers of the Monitor with respect to TMC and TMM were expanded.
- C. Unless otherwise stated herein, all capitalized terms in this Monitor's Certificate shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 27, 2024 (the "Sale Agreement") among the Monitor and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the "Purchaser"). All references to Purchaser herein shall include any permitted assignee, if any, of the Purchaser.

D. Pursuant to an Order, dated [-], 2024 (the "Sale Approval Order"), among other things, the Court approved the Sale Agreement, and provided for the vesting in the Purchaser of all of the rights, title, and interest in and to the Assets, which vesting is to be effective with respect to the Assets upon the Monitor filing a certificate confirming that the Closing has completed.

THE MONITOR CERTIFIES the following:

- 1. The Purchaser has paid the Purchase Price in full in accordance with the Sale Agreement.
- 2. Each of the conditions to Closing as set out in the Sale Agreement has been satisfied or waived by the Vendor and/or the Purchaser, as applicable.
- 3. The Closing has completed.

This Certificate was executed by the Monitor at [Time] on [Date].

FII Consulting Canada Inc., solely in its
capacity as the Court-appointed Monitor
of Trevali Mining Corporation and
Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd., and not
in its personal capacity

Per:			
	Name:		
	Title [.]		

SCHEDULE "C"

ASSETS

Section A.1 – Leased Real Property

a. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML #### (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060072).

Section A.2 – Mineral Titles

- a. Mining Lease No. ML-261.
- b. All New Brunswick mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. including: 1522 (Heath East), 1681 (Halfmile Lake Central), 3885 (Murray Brook), 4341 (California Lake), 4525 (Restigouche South), 6049 (Stratmat), 8160 (Mount Fronsac North)
- c. All Manitoba mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd.

Section A.3 – Real Property

Nil

Section A.4 – Permits and Licences

- a. Approval to Operate I-12101
- b. Petroleum Storage Site Licence #7940

Section A.5 - Equipment & Machinery

Nil

Section A.6 - Contracts

Nil

Section A.7 – Transferred Intellectual Property

Nil

SCHEDULE "D"

LISTED CLAIMS

[To be completed.]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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AND

IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT OF TREVALI MINING CORPORATION AND TREVALI MINING (NEW BRUNSWICK) LTD.

PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION (APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER)

DENTONS CANADA LLP BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS 250 Howe Street, 20th Floor Vancouver, BC V6C 3R8 Phone No.: (604) 687-4460 Attention: Eamonn Watson

File No. 584476-8

EXHIBIT B FUNDING AGREEMENT

[see attached]

FUNDING AGREEMENT

This Agreemen	t dated as of [MONTH], 2024.
BETWEEN:	
Ē	HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")
-	and -

BATHURST METALLIC CORP., a corporation under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, maintaining its registered office at 58 Rue Du Moulin, Nigadoo, NB E8K 3R8 ("**Bathurst Metallic**")

(each, a "Party", and together, the "Parties")

BACKGROUND

- A. As a result of the insolvency of Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. and Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd., the Minister, since January 25, 2023, has undertaken care and maintenance activities at the Caribou mine and mill complex (the "Caribou Mine"), the Restigouche Mine (the "Restigouche Mine"), and the Halfmile Mine (the "Halfmile Mine"), all located near Bathurst, New Brunswick.
- B. Bathurst Metallic has acquired ownership of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including those mining assets and claims described in Schedule "A" hereto, as a result of the proceedings commenced by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada);
- C. The Minister is committed to the responsible management of mines and minerals within the Province of New Brunswick and recognizes the importance of an orderly hand off of care and maintenance responsibilities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, as well as the continued development of those resources:
- D. Bathurst Metallic acknowledges its responsibility for the care and maintenance of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine and welcomes the Government's support in achieving the common goal of an orderly hand off and responsible resource management;
- E. The Parties have resolved to enter into this Agreement to formalize the terms and conditions governing the Minister's interim funding of Bathurst Metallic's

care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine; and

F. The Minister is duly authorized by Order-in-Council _____ dated _____, 2024 made pursuant to section 6 of the Mining Act to enter into this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations contained below and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1.0 DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 **Defined Terms**: In this Agreement, unless otherwise specified, the following terms shall have the following meaning:
 - i. "Agreement" means this Agreement, as may be amended in writing from time to time.
 - "Applicable Law" means all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, by-laws, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations and directives.
 - iii. "Assets" means those mining assets and claims described in Schedule "A".
 - iv. "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or statutory holiday under the applicable laws of Canada or New Brunswick.
 - v. "Care and Maintenance Activities" means the work, tasks and procedures undertaken to preserve, safeguard, and sustain mining infrastructure, equipment, facilities, and the environment during a period when active production has been temporarily halted, including those activities described in Schedule "B".
 - vi. "Care and Maintenance Account" means the bank account established by Bathurst Metallic in accordance with section 4.1.
 - vii. "Confidential Information" means all information relating to the disclosing Party which is supplied by or on behalf of the disclosing Party (whether before or after the date of this Agreement), either in writing, orally or in any other form, directly or indirectly from or pursuant to discussions with the Recipient or which is obtained through observations made by the Recipient. "Confidential Information" also includes all analyses, compilations, studies and other documents whether prepared by or on behalf of a Party which contain or otherwise reflect or are derived from such information.
 - viii. "Dispute" means any dispute, controversy or claim of any kind whatsoever arising from, connected with or relating to this Agreement, including the interpretation of the terms hereof or any applicable law that affects this Agreement, or the transactions contemplated herein, or the breach, termination or validity hereof.
 - ix. **"Financial Assistance**" means the funding provided to Bathurst Metallic by the Minister in accordance with section 3.0 of this Agreement.
 - x. "Milestone" means any of the eight (8) milestones described in the Milestone Schedule.
 - xi. "Milestone Payment Certificate" means a certificate in the form attached hereto as Schedule "D" which identifies the Milestone in respect of which it is being submitted, and requests payment of the applicable Milestone Payment.
 - xii. "Milestone Payment Date" means, with respect to any Milestone, the day which is fifteen (15) Business Days after the later of (i) the day upon which the Milestone Payment Certificate in respect thereof is received by the Minister and (ii) the day all conditions for payment of the applicable Milestone Payment have been satisfied.

- xiii. "Milestone Payments" means the instalment payments, set out in the Milestone Schedule, which are to be paid to Bathurst Metallic following achievement of each Milestone and the satisfaction of the conditions of payment therefor, and "Milestone Payment" means any one of them.
- xiv. "Milestone Period" means the period of time between a particular Milestone and the subsequent Milestone as outlined in the Milestone Schedule.
- xv. "Milestone Schedule" means Schedule "C" attached to and forming part of this Agreement.
- xvi. "Mining Leases" means, collectively, the mining leases identified as ML-246 (Caribou Mine), ML-255 (Restigouche Mine), and ML-261 (Halfmile Mine) issued under the provisions of the Mining Act, SNB 1985, c M-14.1.
- xvii. "Uncontrollable Circumstance" means any circumstance, act or event beyond the reasonable control of a Party, including an act of God or public enemy, blockade, civil commotion, war, fire, pandemic, epidemic, and stop work order or injunction issued by a court or public authority having jurisdiction, which despite the reasonable efforts of the Party claiming relief to prevent its occurrence or moderate its effects, causes a delay or disruption in the performance of any obligation under this Agreement.

2.0 OBLIGATIONS OF BATHURST METALLIC

- 2.1 Assistance Period: Bathurst Metallic agrees to assume responsibility for Care and Maintenance Activities for Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine from the Minister starting on June 1, 2024, or upon the date a court order is issued vesting ownership of the Assets in Bathurst Metallic, whichever occurs later (the "Handover Date"). Immediately following the Handover Date, the Minister will provide assistance to Bathurst Metallic for a period of ten (10) Calendar Days (the "Assistance Period"), including the transfer of relevant information, knowledge transfer sessions, and on-site support to ensure a smooth transition. Both Parties agree to cooperate and collaborate in good faith during the Assistance Period to facilitate an orderly and effective handover.
- 2.2 Care and Maintenance Activities: Immediately following the Assistance Period, Bathurst Metallic shall be solely responsible for, and will proceed diligently and continuously with, the Care and Maintenance Activities.
- 2.3 **Milestone Schedule**: Bathurst Metallic shall carry out the Care and Maintenance Activities in strict compliance with Applicable Law and will diligently pursue and complete the Milestones described in the Milestone Schedule. Bathurst Metallic shall immediately notify the Minister of any circumstance that could result in significant delays to the Milestone Schedule.
- 2.4 Taxes: Bathurst Metallic shall pay from the Care and Maintenance Account all federal, provincial and local taxes, duties, utilities, charges, rates, fees and levies due with respect to Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine and the Care and Maintenance Activities.
- 2.5 GAAP: Bathurst Metallic shall adhere to generally accepted accounting principles with respect to all activities and transactions under this Agreement.
- 2.6 Access to Records: Bathurst Metallic authorizes the Minister and its authorized representatives to inspect, upon reasonable prior notice, its books, registers and records, wherever they may be located, in order to verify that such accounts and documents reflect all undertakings, agreements and projects related to this Agreement.
- 2.7 Commitments: Without limiting any of the obligations of Bathurst Metallic under this Agreement:
 - i. Bathurst Metallic shall carry out the Care and Maintenance Activities; and
 - ii. where possible in terms of cost, quality and availability, Bathurst Metallic shall use New Brunswick goods and services in relation to the Care and Maintenance Activities where such Care and Maintenance Activities are paid for from the funds provided by the Minister to Bathurst Metallic pursuant to Section 3.0.
- 2.8 Financial Affairs: Bathurst Metallic authorizes the Minister and the Minister's representatives to discuss the affairs of Bathurst Metallic as they relate to the Care and Maintenance Activities and

the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister with Bathurst Metallic's auditors, lawyers, insurers or bankers.

- 2.9 Indemnity: Bathurst Metallic shall forever release, discharge, indemnify and save harmless the Minister and the Minister's representatives, contractors, servants and employees, and each of them, and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, of, from and against any and all action or actions, cause or causes of action, claims, demands, causes, suits, debts, liabilities, damages, losses, expenses, obligations or commitments of whatsoever nature or kind arising out of, from, as result of, or in any way connected with the Care and Maintenance Activities and the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister under this Agreement.
- 2.10 Reporting Obligations: In addition to the Milestone Payment Certificates required under section 3.2 of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic shall provide the Minister, concomitant with the submission of each Milestone Payment Certificate (or more frequently if requested by Minister), a written report in a format approved by the Minister setting forth:
 - planning and progress data, including Milestone Schedule considerations throughout the term of this Agreement;
 - ii. a description of work performed in the Milestone Period, including any significant achievements or developments;
 - iii. summary of costs incurred in the applicable Milestone Period and in total for the Care and Maintenance Activities under this Agreement;
 - iv. a work plan and spending estimate for the following Milestone Period;
 - v. a copy of any correspondence with, or report issued to, the Department of Environment and Local Government;
 - vi. any occurrences, omissions or developments that could have a material adverse effect on Bathurst Metallic or its interests in the development of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, and Halfmile Mine, or in the Care and Maintenance Activities; and
 - vii. such additional information as the Minister may request.

3.0 OBLIGATIONS OF THE MINISTER

- 3.1 **Financial Assistance:** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Minister will provide the Milestone Payments to Bathurst Metallic in accordance with the Milestone Schedule attached hereto as Schedule "C".
- 3.2 **Payment Certificates:** When Bathurst Metallic believes it has achieved a Milestone, Bathurst Metallic shall submit the applicable Milestone Payment Certificate (in the form attached as Schedule "**D**") to the Minister. The Minister shall have fifteen (15) Business Days following receipt of a Milestone Payment Certificate to provide written notice (a "**Milestone Deficiency Notice**") to Bathurst Metallic detailing any matters that are required to be performed by Bathurst Metallic in order to achieve the applicable Milestone or satisfy any conditions of payment with respect thereto. In the event the Minister issues a Milestone Deficiency Notice, Bathurst Metallic shall proceed to rectify the deficiencies described therein. Following such rectification, Bathurst Metallic shall re-submit a Milestone Payment Certificate in respect of the applicable Milestone and this section 3.2 shall apply again, *mutatis mutandis*. In the event the Minister does not issue a Milestone Deficiency Notice, the Minister shall, subject to the provisions of this Agreement, make the applicable Milestone Payment to Bathurst Metallic on the Milestone Payment Date.
- 3.3 **Invoice:** Concomitant with the submission of each Milestone Payment Certificate, Bathurst Metallic will submit an invoice to Service New Brunswick for the applicable Milestone Payment (the "**Invoice**"). Invoices must be submitted in strict adherence to the requirements specified in Service New Brunswick's invoicing guidelines. Both parties agree that invoices shall be paid as soon as possible, once required conditions of payment have been verified, in accordance with Section 3.2.
- 3.4 **Conditions for Milestone Payments:** The obligation of the Minister to make any Milestone Payment hereunder is subject to the following conditions:

- the Minister shall have received a Milestone Payment Certificate and Invoice within the time limit provided therefor;
- the Minister shall have undertaken the review contemplated by Section 3.2, the applicable time period shall have elapsed, and the Minister shall not have issued a Milestone Deficiency Notice;
- iii. the Minister shall have received any information or documentation it may have requested from Bathurst Metallic in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and
- iv. Bathurst Metallic is not otherwise in default of any covenant or obligation contained in this Agreement, or under any other agreement which Bathurst Metallic may have entered into with or granted to the Minister, including the Limited Environmental Liability Agreements executed for Caribou Mine and Restigouche Mine.
- 3.5 Acknowledgements of Bathurst Metallic Milestone Payments: Bathurst Metallic acknowledges and agrees as follows with respect to the Milestone Payments:
 - i. the Minister will have no obligation to make a Milestone Payment:
 - until this Agreement and each of the other documents and agreements required by the Minister in connection with this Agreement have been duly signed, sealed and delivered;
 - unless all work required to achieve the Milestone in respect of which Milestone Payment is sought has been totally completed; and
 - (iii) while Bathurst Metallic is in default under this agreement or under any other agreement which Bathurst Metallic may have entered into with or granted to the Minister, including the Limited Environmental Liability Agreements executed for Caribou Mine and Restigouche Mine.
 - ii. the Minister shall have no obligation to make any partial Milestone Payments;
 - iii. without limiting anything else herein contained, neither the failure of the Minister to issue any Milestone Deficiency Notice nor the making of any Milestone Payment by the Minister shall constitute a waiver of any condition precedent or be regarded as a representation or acknowledgement by or on behalf of the Minister that there has been or will be compliance by Bathurst Metallic with the terms and conditions of this Agreement or applicable law; and
 - iv. payment of any Milestone Payment is without prejudice to the rights of the Minister in connection with this Agreement.

4.0 ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS

- 4.1 **Care and Maintenance Account**: Bathurst Metallic shall establish and continue to maintain an account (the "**Care and Maintenance Account**") at a branch of a Schedule I Canadian chartered bank in Bathurst, New Brunswick, which shall be used solely to hold the Financial Assistance provided by the Minister, and to pay the costs of Care and Maintenance Activities, as provided in this Agreement.
- 4.2 Use of Funds: Bathurst Metallic covenants and agrees that the Financial Assistance, and all advances made by the Minister in respect thereof, shall be exclusively utilized by Bathurst Metallic for the explicit purpose of covering expenses directly associated with the Care and Maintenance Activities. Any diversion or application of said funds for purposes other than those delineated herein is strictly prohibited.

5.0 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 5.1 Bathurst Metallic represents and warrants to and covenants with the Minister that:
 - it is incorporated under the laws of New Brunswick, and is and throughout the term of this Agreement will remain a duly organized and validly existing corporation;

- ii. it has, and will at all relevant times have, the power and capacity to enter into this Agreement and to observe, perform and comply with the terms of this Agreement;
- iii. it has duly authorized this Agreement by all necessary corporate action and has legally and properly executed this Agreement, which constitutes a valid, subsisting and legally binding obligation upon it which is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and other laws of general application limiting the enforceability of creditors' rights, and to the fact that specific performance and injunctive relief are equitable remedies available only in the discretion of the court;
- iv. it has no knowledge of any fact that materially adversely affects or, so far as it can foresee, might materially adversely affect its properties, assets, condition (financial or otherwise), business or operations or its ability to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement;
- v. the observance and performance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement do not and will not constitute a breach by it of or a default by it under:
 - to its knowledge, having made due and diligent inquiry, any law applicable to or binding upon it;
 - (ii) its articles, by-laws or other constating documents; or
 - (iii) any contract or agreement to which it is a party;
- it is not a party to and has no knowledge of any claim or proceeding against it that would
 materially affect its undertaking or financial condition or its ability to perform its obligations
 under this Agreement; and
- vii. it holds, and will throughout the term of this Agreement hold and maintain in good standing, all permits, licences, consents and authorities issued by any federal, provincial, regional or municipal government, or an agency of any of them, and has given all notices, that are necessary in connection with its operations and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, including the Care and Maintenance Activities, and completion of the Milestones.

6.0 TERM AND TERMINATION

- 6.1 **Term**: The term of this Agreement commences on the Effective Date and will terminate upon the first to occur of:
 - i. termination by mutual written agreement of the Parties;
 - ii. complete performance and discharge of all obligations and responsibilities of the Parties under this Agreement; or
 - iii. termination pursuant to Section 6.2.
- 6.2 **Termination by Minister**: The Minister may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to Bathurst Metallic upon the occurrence any of the following events:
 - if Bathurst Metallic fails to perform or observe any covenant or obligation contained in this Agreement, including failure to complete the Milestones described in the Milestone Schedule by the prescribed dates, and does not cure such failure within fifteen (15) Business Days after receipt of notice of the failure from the Minister;
 - ii. if Bathurst Metallic fails to make payment when due of any undisputed amount owing to employees, consultants, lessors, licensors, service providers or other third parties in connection with the Care and Maintenance Activities;
 - iii. if Bathurst Metallic ceases or threatens to cease to carry on or to continue to carry on Care and Maintenance Activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, or Halfmile Mine;
 - iv. if any information, representation, warranty, certificate, statement or report given or made by or on behalf of Bathurst Metallic to the Minister or to any of its representatives in or in

connection with this Agreement is false, erroneous or misleading in any material respect;

- v. if Bathurst Metallic becomes insolvent or bankrupt or subject to the provisions of the Winding-Up Act (Canada) or the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada) or equivalent legislation or goes into liquidation, either voluntarily or under an order of a court of competent jurisdiction or makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors or otherwise acknowledges itself insolvent;
- vi. if Bathurst Metallic abandons all or any part of its undertaking and property and assets or threatens to commit any act of bankruptcy;
- vii. if the Minister, in good faith, believe that the ability of Bathurst Metallic to pay any of its obligations or to perform any of the covenants contained in this Agreement is impaired;
- viii. if Bathurst Metallic shall permit any amount which has been admitted as due by it or is not disputed to be due by it and forms or is capable of being made a charge on any of the property and assets of Bathurst Metallic to remain unpaid for ten (10) days after the amounts are due; or
- ix. if any order for seizure or sale, execution, or any other process of any court becomes enforceable against Bathurst Metallic or if a distress or analogous process is levied on the property and assets of Bathurst Metallic.
- 6.3 **Obligations on Termination:** Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.1 or 6.2:
 - all costs incurred by Bathurst Metallic on and after the effective date of termination in respect of the Care and Maintenance Activities will be for the sole account of Bathurst Metallic;
 - ii. without limiting any other remedies the Minister may have, Bathurst Metallic shall refund to the Minister any unexpended funds provided by the Minister and remaining in the Care and Maintenance Account at the time of termination, except that such funds may be used to pay incurred amounts approved by the Minister and payable for goods and services received by Bathurst Metallic prior to the effective date of termination for which payment has not yet been made.
- 6.4 **Surrender of Mining Leases:** Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.2:
 - i. Bathurst Metallic will surrender the Mining Leases in accordance with the provisions of the Mining Act, SNB 1985, c M-14.1, as amended from time to time. Concomitant with the execution of this Agreement, Bathurst Metallic will execute and deliver to the Minister an Irrevocable Power of Attorney appointing the Minister as Bathurst Metallic's Attorney with full authority to execute any and all documents required to surrender the Mining Leases in the event of termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 6.2. The Power of Attorney will be in a form satisfactory to the Minister's solicitor, and a determination of whether any of the events listed in section 6.2 have occurred will be in the sole discretion of the Minister and will be binding on Bathurst Metallic.

7.0 CONFIDENTIALITY

- 7.1 Confidence: Each Party (the "Recipient") will hold in confidence any Confidential Information, provided that the provisions of this Section 7.0 will not restrict any Party from passing such information to its professional advisors, provided such advisors are subject to similar confidentiality obligations, to the extent necessary, to enable it to perform (or to cause to be performed) or to enforce its rights or obligations under this Agreement, and provided further that the Recipient may, subject to obtaining confidentiality restrictions similar to those set out in this Agreement, provide to its contractors documents and other information which are necessary for the Recipient's performance of this Agreement.
- 7.2 The obligation to maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information does not apply to Confidential Information:
 - which the disclosing Party confirms in writing is not required to be treated as Confidential Information:

- which is or comes into the public domain otherwise than through any disclosure prohibited by this Agreement;
- iii. to the extent either party is required to disclose such Confidential Information by Applicable Law, provided that such Party will take all reasonable steps to limit such disclosure and any subsequent disclosure of such Confidential Information.
- 7.3 **Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act**: Bathurst Metallic acknowledges that all information relating to this Agreement that is in the custody or control of the Minister is subject to the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (New Brunswick), under which the Minister may be required to disclose certain information.

8.0 UNCONTROLLABLE CIRCUMSTANCE

- 8.1 **Uncontrollable Circumstance**: Despite any other provision of this Agreement, if, because of an Uncontrollable Circumstance, either Party (the "Affected Party") is prevented from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement (the "Affected Obligations"), it will be relieved of the Affected Obligations to the extent, and for the duration, of the Uncontrollable Circumstance if the Affected Party:
 - within five (5) Business Days of becoming aware of the Uncontrollable Circumstance gives written notice to the other Party describing the Affected Obligations and nature and expected duration of the Uncontrollable Circumstance; and
 - ii. takes commercially reasonable steps to mitigate the consequences of the Uncontrollable Circumstance and continues to perform the Affected Obligations to the extent possible.
- 8.2 **Termination:** the Affected Party will use commercially reasonable efforts to resume as soon as possible the performance of any obligation affected by an Uncontrollable Circumstance. The Minister may terminate the Agreement if the event of an Uncontrollable Circumstance is expected to exceed a period of thirty (30) days.

9.0 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 9.1 Informal Dispute Resolution: The Parties will attempt in good faith to resolve any Dispute relating to this Agreement informally. Upon the request of any Party, a Dispute will immediately be referred to the following representatives of the Parties for resolution by them:
 - i. the President of Bathurst Metallic Corp.
 - ii. The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development
- 9.2 **Arbitration**: If, for any reason, the Dispute has not been resolved as provided in Section 9.1 either Party may provide written notice to the other Party that the Dispute will be resolved by referral to a final and binding arbitration between the Parties pursuant to the *Arbitration Act* (New Brunswick). The arbitration will be conducted by a single arbitrator, the place of arbitration will be Fredericton, New Brunswick, and the language of the arbitration will be English. If the parties cannot agree upon the appointment of the single arbitrator within ten (10) Business Days of receipt of the notice to arbitrate, either Party may apply to the Court of King's Bench of New Brunswick, to appoint same. The arbitration will be completed within forty-five (45) calendar days after the appointment of the arbitrator. The decision and any award of the arbitrator, including their decision as to the costs of the arbitration and who will bear same, will be final and binding on the Parties and there will be no appeal therefrom.
- 9.3 **Time:** The time limits referred to in this Section 9.0 may be abridged or extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.
- 9.4 **Without Prejudice Negotiations:** Any discussions and negotiations related to the attempted resolution of a Dispute pursuant to this Section 9.0 shall be confidential and treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for the purposes of evidentiary rules.
- 9.5 **Settlement Agreements**: No agreement achieved under this Section 9.0 will be binding on either Party unless set forth in a written agreement duly executed by both Parties.

9.6 **Care and Maintenance**: Notwithstanding any Dispute between the Parties, the Care and Maintenance Activities will continue and Bathurst Metallic will continue complying with its obligations under this Agreement until the dispute has been resolved or arbitrated.

10.0 MISCELLANEOUS

- Publicity: Except as required by law or as permitted by this Section 10.1, neither Party shall make, or directly or indirectly authorize any of their respective employees or representatives to make, any public comment, statement or communication with respect to, or otherwise disclose or permit the disclosure of the existence of discussions regarding a possible transaction between the Parties or any of the terms, conditions or other aspects of this Agreement, in each case without the prior written approval of the other Party, with the exception that Bathurst Metallic may reveal the existence and contents of this Agreement to potential investors who have previously signed a non-disclosure agreement in favour of Bathurst Metallic and for the benefit of the Minister. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 10.1, the Minister may make a public announcement of the signing of this Agreement. The Minister, as the case may be, will make reasonable efforts to give Bathurst Metallic the opportunity to comment on the text of the announcement before publishing it. Except as permitted above, neither Party shall make this Agreement public except to the extent required by law, in which case the Parties shall cooperate reasonably to limit any such disclosure to the extent permitted by law.
- 10.2 **Relationship of the Parties**: The Parties hereby disclaim any intention to create by this Agreement any partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship between them. This Agreement shall not be construed or considered as creating any such partnership, joint venture, association, trust or fiduciary relationship, or as constituting any Party as the agent or legal representative of the other Parties for any purpose nor to permit any Party to enter into agreements or incur any obligations for or on behalf of the other Parties.
- 10.3 **Appropriation**: No payment is to be made by the Minister under this Agreement in any fiscal year unless an appropriation against which the payment is to be charged is made in the same fiscal year.
- Regulatory Authority: Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prohibit, restrict or affect the right or power of, or compel, the Legislative Assembly of *New Brunswick* to enact any laws or its cabinet to enact regulations and orders in council with respect to any area of law for which they have respective legislative jurisdiction. Furthermore, this Agreement does not operate as a permit, licence, approval or other statutory authority that Bathurst Metallic requires in order to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement to undertaken Care and Maintenance Activities of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as interfering with the exercise by the Minister, the Department of Environment and Local Government, the Province of New Brunswick or any of its agencies of any statutory power or duty.
- 10.5 Issue Management: Bathurst Metallic will immediately inform the Minister of any significant occurrences or situations arising with respect to the Care and Maintenance Activities, including significant accidents, incidents, environmental spills or contamination, failure to implement mitigation measures, failure of mitigation measures, or any occurrence or situation likely to generate significant public interest.
- 10.6 Further Assurances: Each of the Parties shall, from time to time, do all such acts and things and execute and deliver, from time to time, all such further documents and assurances as may be reasonably necessary to carry out and give effect to the terms of this Agreement.
- Severability: Any provision of this Agreement which is or becomes prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or impair the remaining provisions of this Agreement which shall be deemed severable from the prohibited or unenforceable provision and any prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable that provision in any other jurisdiction.
- Waiver: No condonation, forgiveness, waiver or forbearance by the Minister of any non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement will operate as a waiver or estoppel by or against the Minister in respect of any term or condition or any subsequent non-observance or non-performance by Bathurst Metallic of any term or condition of this Agreement.

- Survival: All provisions of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature are intended to survive the termination (however caused) of this Agreement, including covenants, warranties, guarantees, releases and indemnities, continue as valid and enforceable rights and obligations (as the case may be) of the Parties, notwithstanding any such termination, until they are satisfied in full or by their nature expire.
- 10.10 No Third-Party Beneficiaries: Except as otherwise provided herein or permitted hereby, this Agreement is not made for the benefit of any person not a party to this Agreement, and no person other than the Parties or their respective successors and permitted assigns shall acquire or have any right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.
- 10.11 Assignment: Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, entitlements, duties or obligations arising from it may be assigned in whole or in part by any Party without the prior written consent of the other Parties.
- 10.12 **Notices**: Any notice given by a Party to another Party or the other Parties shall be in writing and (a) delivered personally, or (b) sent by facsimile or other similar means of electronic communication to the other Party or Parties at the following respective address:

If to the Province:

Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre 1350 Regent Street

Fredericton, NB E3C 2G6

Attention: Jennifer Welles, Director of Resource Development Branch

Email: jennifer.welles@gnb.ca

If to Bathurst Metallic:

Bathurst Metallic Corp. 58 Rue Du Moulin Nigadoo, NB, E8K 3R8

Attention: Kevin Vienneau, Founder, President, and Director

Email: vienneau.kevin@gmail.com

Any such notice so given shall be deemed conclusively to have been given and received when so personally delivered or sent by facsimile or other electronic communication. A Party may from time to time change its address hereinbefore set forth by notice to the other Parties in accordance with this Section.

- 10.13 **Certain Rules of Interpretation**: In this Agreement, (i) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa (ii) headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement, (iii) unless otherwise indicated, references to a section or Schedule followed by a number or letter refer to the specified section or Schedule of this Agreement, (iv) the terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement taken as a whole and not to any particular Section or other portion of this Agreement, (v) the word "including" means "including without limitation", and (vi) amounts are in Canadian dollars.
- 10.14 No Drafting Presumption: The Parties acknowledge that their respective legal advisors have reviewed and participated in settling the terms of this Agreement and agree that any rule of construction to the effect that any ambiguity is to be resolved against the drafting Party shall not apply to the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 10.15 Entire Agreement/Amendment: This Agreement is the entire agreement between the Parties and this Agreement supersedes all prior communications, understandings, negotiations and agreements, whether oral or written, express or implied, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be modified, varied or amended except as agreed in writing signed by the Parties.

- 10.16 Governing Law: This Agreement is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of New Brunswick and the laws of Canada applicable therein, without regard to conflict of laws rules.
- 10.17 **Successors and Assigns**: This Agreement is binding upon and enures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 10.18 Counterparts and Electronic Delivery: This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one in the same instrument. Executed signature pages delivered by facsimile or electronic mail will be deemed for all purposes to be original counterparts of this Agreement.
- 10.19 Lieutenant-Governor in Council Approval: This Agreement will be effective only when it has been signed by all of the authorized signatories of the Parties and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved the Minister's execution and delivery of this Agreement (the "Effective Date").

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HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, as represented by the Minister of Natural

Resources and Energy Development

Hon. Mike Holland Minister of Natural Resources and Energy Development

BATHURST METALLIC CORP.

Mr. Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng. President, Bathurst Metallic Corp.

☐ I have authority to bind the corporation.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

AFFIDAVIT OF CORPORATE EXECUTION

,	, OI	, in the County of and
Provinc	e of, MAKE O	DATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:
1.	That I am theone of the Parties named in the foregointhe matters herein deposed to.	_ of BATHURST METALLIC CORP. (the "Corporation"), ing instrument and as such have personal knowledge of
2.		nstrument purporting to be the seal of the corporation is affixed by order of the Corporation's board of directors.
3.	That the signature ", the, subscribed	_" subscribed to the foregoing instrument is the signature of the Corporation and the signature d thereto is my signature.
1.	That the and the duly authorized to execute the foregoing	are the officers of the Corporation g instrument.
SWORI n the C and Pro his	N TO BEFORE ME at Sounty of, vince of, day of, 2024.))))
	Public or the Province of New Brunswick)

Schedule A

Assets and Claims of Bathurst Metallic Corp.

Bathurst Metallic Corp. holds one hundred percent (100%) right, title and interest in all agreements, licences, permits, approvals, consents, regulations, certificates and other authorizations in connection with the mining and milling operations related to the Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including:

Caribou Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-246;
- Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2271 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060027);
- 3. The freehold parcel of real estate identified by Property Identification Number 50072032;
- All mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. including Mining Claims 334950 to 334969, 334972 to 334977, 334980 to 34986, also known as mineral claim 1773 (Woodside Brook) representing some thirty-three (33) mining claims;
- 5. All agreements, licenses, permits, approvals, consents, registrations, certificates and other authorizations issued or held by Trevali Mining (New Brunswick) Ltd. in connection with the milling operations currently or formerly carried out at or relating to the mining lease, leasehold and real property listed above in 1 through 4 above, to the extent assignable.

Restigouche Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-255 (or any replacement mining lease thereof);
- 2. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML 2473 (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415040158) (or any replacement surface lease/crown lands lease thereof).

Halfmile Mine

- 1. Mining Lease No. ML-261;
- 2. Crown Lands Lease #415060072;
- 3. all New Brunswick mineral claims that were owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. including:
 - 1522 (Heath East)
 - 1681 (Halfmile Lake Central)
 - o 3886 (Murray Brook)
 - o 4341 (California Lake)
 - o 4525 (Restigouche South)
 - o 6049 (Stratmat)
 - o 8160 (Mount Fronsac North)

Schedule B

Care and Maintenance Activities

In accordance with section 2.2 Bathurst Metallic will be solely responsible for and will proceed diligently and continuously with the care and maintenance activities at Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine and Halfmile Mine, including, but not limited to the following activities:

- Maintain all program(s) for environmental protection, including water management, water treatment
 and all environmental monitoring and reporting, as set out in the Approval to Operate for each mine
 and as otherwise required by Applicable Law.
- Ensure site security is maintained at all times.
- Ensure access to each site is maintained to the degree required to conduct care and maintenance activities, including maintenance of roads.
- Continue to maintain the underground pumping of Caribou Mine in a dewatered state, with water elevations not exceeding bypass to north limb between 1860-4E and 1960-1E.
- Conduct all other activities required to maintain compliance with Applicable Law.

Schedule C

Milestone Schedule

The disbursement of Milestone Payments to Bathurst Metallic is contingent upon the successful completion of each designated Milestone and fulfillment of the specified payment conditions outlined in the Agreement. Milestone Payments will be processed on the applicable Milestone Payment Date, subject to the satisfactory completion of the applicable Milestones as stipulated below:

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(1) Asset purchase	□ Bathurst Metallic takes possession of Caribou Mine, Restigouche Mine, and Halfmile Mine.	n/a
complete	□ All Mine leases, Crown Land Leases, Approvals to Operate, and Petroleum Storage Tank licences are transferred to Bathurst Metallic, and other regulatory bodies are informed of the change in responsibility for these sites. This includes, but may not be limited to WorkSafe NB, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission.	
(2) Plan for sludge management	□ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities from Handover Date to September 30, 2024.	\$1,270,436
upgrades, design contract for South Tributary Tailings Pond ("STTP") upgrades and	□ Plan to upgrade the sludge management system at the Caribou Mine, proof that all required environmental approvals have been received for this work, and a binding contract established with an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick and qualified for this work, submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	
efficiency improvements for the Caribou water treatment plant	□ Proof of signed contract for design of the Caribou Mine STTP upgrades, including the main dam raise, the South dam, and associated work, submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	
("WTP")	□ Performance of the current WTP at the Caribou mine reviewed and steps identified to maximize its efficiency and ensure reliability until a new WTP is commissioned. Steps include all required permits / approvals and are documented in a refurbishment plan submitted on or before September 30, 2024.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(3) Sludge	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to December 31, 2024.	\$1,270,436
management upgrades and WTP refurbishment work complete,	□ Proof of 100% completion of sludge management upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before December 31, 2024.	
STTP upgrade preparations	□ Proof of completed implementation of the refurbishment plan for the current WTP at the Caribou mine, submitted on or before December 31, 2024.	
progress, <u>and</u> planning for WTP upgrades begins	□ Design package for STTP upgrades, including the STTP dam and the South dam, completed and submitted to DNRED, on or before December 31, 2024.	
apgraded begins	□ South Dam engineering design and any modifications to the previously approved main dam design submitted to DNRED and ELG for approval, on or before December 31, 2024.	
	□ Proof of binding contract with an engineering consultant or design/build company for WTP upgrades, submitted on or before December 31, 2024. Required dates in the contract align with the Milestones in this agreement.	
(4) Tender issued for	□ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to March 31, 2025	\$1,270,436
STTP upgrades, and WTP design finalized	□ Proof of construction tender issued for STTP upgrades, and copy of Tender Package submitted to DNRED, on or before March 31, 2025.	
manzou	□ WTP design package complete and submitted to DNRED and ELG, on or before March 31, 2025.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(5) Construction	☐ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to June 30, 2025.	\$1,270,436
progresses for STTP upgrades, and construction contract issued for	□ Proof of 10% completion of planned construction schedule for STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before June 30, 2025.	
WTP upgrades	□ Proof of binding contract established with a design/build company or contractor, which aligns with the construction schedule set out in these milestones, for construction of the WTP upgrades, submitted on or before June 30, 2025.	
(6) Construction	□ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to September 30, 2025.	\$1,270,436
progresses for STTP upgrades, and construction begins for WTP	□ Proof of 75% completion of planned construction schedule for STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before September 30, 2025.	
bogine for WTT	□ Proof of construction commencement for WTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, submitted on or before September 30, 2025.	
(7) STTP upgrades	□ Successful completion of Care and Maintenance Activities up to December 31, 2025	\$1,270,435
complete and WTP construction progresses	□ Proof of 100% completion of STTP upgrades, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before December 31, 2025.	
	□ Proof of 70% completion of planned construction schedule for WTP upgrades, submitted on or before December 31, 2025, in the form of a signed and stamped letter from a design engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick with the intention to complete and commission the WTP in accordance with the milestones established in this agreement.	

Milestone Number and Description	Completion criteria for the Milestone (all must be met for payment eligibility)	Milestone Payment
(8) WTP construction complete	□ Proof of 100% completion of WTP upgrades in the form of a signed and stamped letter from an engineer approved to practice in New Brunswick, and proof that all payments to suppliers have been paid, not including holdbacks or disputes, submitted on or before March 31, 2026.	\$1.00

Schedule D

MILESTONE PAYMENT CERTIFICATE

To: His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of New Brunswick, as represented by the Minister

of Natural Resources and Energy Development (the "Minister")

RE: Funding Agreement dated •, 2024 between the Minister and Bathurst Metallic Corp. (the

"Bathurst Metallic") as amended or updated from time to time (the "Agreement").

MILESTONE: Milestone number ● (the "Milestone") as identified in Schedule "C" to the Funding Agreement

(the "Milestone Payment")

This certificate is delivered pursuant to **Section 3.2** of the Agreement.

The undersigned hereby requests payment of the Milestone Payment to which this certificate relates and, in respect thereof, certifies as follows:

- 1. I am the President and am authorized to deliver this certificate for and on behalf of Bathurst Metallic;
- 2. the work required to be completed as part of the Milestone to which this certificate relates is complete;
- 3. all such work is in strict compliance with applicable industry standards and all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, by-laws, rules, regulations, permits, licenses, authorizations and directives.
- 4. there are no outstanding Milestone Deficiency Notices in respect of or relating to the current or any previous Milestone Payment;
- 5. all conditions to the making of the Milestone Payment to which this certificate relates as set out in the Agreement have been satisfied;
- 6. all contractors, subcontractors, and service providers who have supplied work, labour, equipment, materials, goods, services or supplies in connection with the work have been paid in full and there are no claims relating thereto; and
- 7. no default under this Agreement with respect to Bathurst Metallic has occurred and is continuing and no such default would result from the making of such Milestone Payment.

DATED this • day of •, 20•

Mr. Kevin Vienneau, B. Eng.
President, Bathurst Metallic Corp.

SCHEDULE A

Section A.1 – Leased Real Property

a. Industrial Surface Lease No. SIML #### (also referred to as Crown Lands Lease #415060072).

Section A.2 - Mineral Titles

- a. Mining Lease No. ML-261.
- b. All New Brunswick mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd. including: 1522 (Heath East), 1681 (Halfmile Lake Central), 3885 (Murray Brook), 4341 (California Lake), 4525 (Restigouche South), 6049 (Stratmat), 8160 (Mount Fronsac North)
- c. All Manitoba mineral claims owned by Trevali Mining (Maritimes) Ltd.

Section A.3 – Real Property

Nil

Section A.4 - Permits and Licences

- a. Approval to Operate I-12101
- b. Petroleum Storage Site Licence #7940

Section A.5 - Equipment & Machinery

Nil

Section A.6 - Contracts

Nil

Section A.7 – Transferred Intellectual Property

Nil

Schedule 3.2 – Excluded Assets

means all rights, interests and assets of the Vendor, other than the Assets, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (a) all contracts of the Vendor that are not listed in Schedule A; (b) all cash, amounts on deposit or in possession of any bank or other depository institution, term deposits, and similar cash property of the Vendor; (c) amounts due to the Vendor; (d) all of the Vendor's correspondence and file material, including, without limitation, correspondence to and from the Vendor's legal counsel; (e) accounts, valuations and any other records or reports generated by the Vendor as a result or in the context of the administration of the CCAA Proceedings; and (f) the right to use the term "Trevali Maritimes" and all domain names of TMM.

Schedule 4.2 - Asset Allocation Schedule

Halfmile Mine Lease - \$649,999

Halfmile Mine Surface assets and any equipment (water treatment, etc.) - \$100,000

All of the mineral claims - \$250,000

Ruttan – \$1.