
Court Approves Buchans Plan of Arrangement Group reorganization and spin-out of subsidiaries

Toronto, December 20, 2019 – Buchans Resources Limited (the “Company” or “Buchans”), a Canadian base metal mineral exploration and development company, reports that at a hearing on December 19, 2019, the **Ontario Superior Court of Justice** approved the Company’s Plan of Arrangement for a group reorganization and spin-out of subsidiaries. The Arrangement had been earlier approved by shareholders by a 99.87% majority at a Meeting held on December 10, 2019.

Completion of the Arrangement and the Effective Date is expected to be on December 31, 2019.

Under the Plan of Arrangement, shareholders will retain their existing shares of Buchans and Buchans will distribute to its shareholders, pro rata:

- (i) all of the shares of Canadian Manganese Company Inc. (“**Canadian Manganese**”) on the basis of one share of Canadian Manganese for each share of Buchans held; and
- (ii) exchangeable warrants entitling shareholders to receive either one share of Minco Exploration Limited (“**Minco Exploration**”) or 0.25 additional shares of Buchans, at their option, for each share of Buchans held.

Any exchangeable warrants which remain unexercised on the first anniversary of the date that the Plan of Arrangement becomes effective will be automatically exchanged for shares of Minco Exploration.

Upon the Arrangement becoming effective, the mineral exploration business and projects now owned and operated by Buchans will be held by three separate public companies, namely:

1. **Buchans Resources** which will retain its base metals deposits and projects in central Newfoundland near the town of Buchans, and in Labrador, in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada, operated by Buchans’ wholly-owned subsidiary, Buchans Minerals Corporation, and its investment in base metal and silver projects in Mexico through an approximately 22% shareholding in Xtierra Inc;
2. **Canadian Manganese** which will hold the Woodstock Manganese Project, located west of the town of Woodstock, in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada; and
3. **Minco Exploration** which will hold the zinc-lead exploration projects in the Republic of Ireland operated by Minco’s wholly owned subsidiary, Minco Ireland Limited, either alone or in joint ventures with Boliden Tara Mines.

Following the Effective Date, each of the Companies plans to take steps to apply for separate stock exchange listings, subject to market and trading conditions and obtaining any necessary approvals: Buchans on the TSXV or the Canadian Securities Exchange (CSE); Canadian Manganese on the CSE; and Minco Exploration on the Irish Stock Exchange.

ABOUT BUCHANS

Buchans Resources currently holds interests in zinc, lead, silver properties located in Canada, Ireland and the United Kingdom; gold properties in Newfoundland and in Labrador; nickel, copper, cobalt properties in Labrador and a manganese project in New Brunswick; and, indirectly through its 22% shareholding in Xtierra Inc. (TSXV: "XAG"), in base metal and silver projects in Mexico.

On December 10, 2019 Buchans shareholders approved a group restructuring under a "Plan of Arrangement" whereby the shares of two wholly owned subsidiaries will be distributed to Buchans shareholders and both will become stand-alone, public companies (see news releases November 4 and December 10, 2019 for further details). Under the Plan of Arrangement, the mineral exploration business and projects now owned and operated by Buchans will be held by three separate public companies, namely:

1. **Buchans Resources** which will retain the base and precious metals projects in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and its investment in base metal and silver projects in Mexico through an approximately 22% shareholding in Xtierra Inc;
2. **Canadian Manganese** which will hold the Woodstock Manganese Project in the Province of New Brunswick; and
3. **Minco Exploration** which will hold the mineral exploration projects in Ireland.

The Arrangement is expected to become effective on December 31, 2019.

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