

## **CHAIRMANS ADDRESS – AGM 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2020**

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Lithium Power International Limited's Annual General Meeting for 2020.

My name is David Hannon and I will chair the meeting today.

I would like to introduce you to the locally based Directors who are here today with me at the AGM.

- Ricky Fertig;
- Richard Crookes; and
- Andrew Phillips.

The other Directors who have dialled in for this meeting are

- Cristóbal Garcia-Huidobro, and
- Martin Borda,

Who are both dialling in from Santiago, Chile; and

- Russell Barwick

Dialling in from Noosa

I would also like to introduce you to Scott Nichols, representing the Company's auditors, EY. Also dialling in from EY is Arthur Zarife.

This is my fourth Annual General Meeting as Chairman of the Company, and I would like to report on progress during the last 12 months. Clearly, as with all business ventures locally and internationally, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic hampered our progress during the second half the year. But we remain focussed and resolute in achieving all of our objectives – to develop and operate a low-cost, long-life lithium operation at Maricunga in Chile's Lithium Triangle.

The Company's 51%-owned Chilean Joint Venture company, Mineral Salar Blanco (MSB), achieved a significant milestone by receiving its environmental approval for the Maricunga Project in February 2020.

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), an 11,400-page document, was a result of more than two-and-a-half year's work by both the LPI and MSB teams and their external advisors. The EIA then underwent an extremely rigorous, 15-month review process before receiving final approval. This was one of the few EIA's approved in Chile in recent years. It is a tribute to the LPI and MSB teams that they achieved this key milestone, and is a clear recognition of their dedicated work.

We announced in August 2019, that MSB had entered into a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Chilean state-owned copper mining company, CODELCO, to study and jointly develop the Maricunga Salar Lithium Project. This potential JV is still under review between the parties.

Due to external factors, including the social unrest seen in Chile at the end of 2019 and, especially, the COVID-19 pandemic, which is still generating some serious restrictions, delays have been experienced. However, we expect a resolution by the end of 2020 or the beginning of 2021. The consolidation of the mining concessions, under a JV with CODELCO, would give MSB access to CODELCO's CEOL licence, enabling the addition of "new code" concessions to the project.

Meanwhile, the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) bidding process continues with the analysis of proposals sent by two major international engineering companies. Also, the financial structuring for the project continues, with Sydney-based Treadstone Resource Partners as our leading advisor.

With regard to Argentina, given the present lithium market conditions and the significant impact of COVID 19 in that country, LPI is considering various strategic options for our Centenario exploration property in the Salta province. We will update shareholders if and when there are any material developments on this regard.

In Western Australia, an assessment and rationalisation of the Company's tenements was completed following field work conducted during the last three years. It has been decided that any future exploration in Western Australia will be focused on the Greenbushes and Tabba Tabba tenements, both of which are located favourably near other significant lithium assets.

A decision was taken, during uncertain COVID-19 times, to suspend all West Australian exploration works and to reduce overhead costs. This will be reassessed in Q4 2020, with the current intention to recommence work in Q1 2021.

I would like to thank my fellow board members, our management, technical teams and also our advisors for their collective efforts in adapting to new ways of doing things during the last six months.

I would also like to thank all of our shareholders for their continued loyal support for Lithium Power. We are working hard to add value to the company, and we believe that the outcome of the extensive work completed over the past 18 months will shortly emerge and will add significant shareholder value.

LPI looks forward to an exciting 2021 and thank the shareholders for their continued support.