

## Venture raises \$1.0m for Mount Lindsay Magnetite-Tin Project in Tasmania

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Australian based mineral exploration company Venture Minerals Limited (ASX code: VMS) is pleased to announce that the Company has secured **\$1.0m of funding for its Mount Lindsay Magnetite-Tin Project in North West Tasmania** through a placement of 10m ordinary shares.

### Mount Lindsay - No 2 Zone & Main Zone

The capital raising will assist Venture in completing a magnetite resource upgrade at Mount Lindsay as well as funding the Company's first Tin resource estimate, both of which are scheduled for completion in the December Quarter.

In addition to the resource work, funds will also enable Venture to complete metallurgical studies on both the No 2 Zone and the Main Zone.

### Stanley River Prospect

On-going exploration at the Stanley River Prospect has continued to validate the area's potential to host a significant DSO (Direct Shipping Ore) product. The securing of additional funding will assist the Company in analysing results from the latest drilling campaign and in assessing the exploration potential of the prospect.

### The Placement

A total of 10m ordinary shares in the Company will be issued at a price of 10 cents to raise \$1.0m. There will be one (1) free option for every two (2) shares subscribed, exercisable at 10 cents on or before 31 December 2009.

The share placement will be undertaken in two tranches, with 7.5 million shares to be issued immediately and a further 2.5m shares to be issued in December.

Perth based securities firm Max Capital Pty Ltd has been appointed as lead manager to the placement.

This announcement effectively lifts the trading halt that the Company requested on Monday, 3 November 2008. The Company is not aware of any reason why the ASX would not allow trading to recommence immediately.

#### Fast Facts

ASX Code: VMS

Shares on Issue 76,650,000

Management Shareholding 28%

#### Management

Mel Ashton, Non-Exec Chairman  
Andrew Radonjic, Managing Director  
Hamish Halliday, Non-Exec Director  
Bruce McFadzean, Non-Exec Director

#### Shareholders

Top 20 Ownership 39.75%

#### Projects

##### Mount Lindsay Magnetite-Tin Project, North West Tasmania

- Venture to conduct Scoping/Prefeasibility Study
- Venture doubles Magnetite-Tin Targets at Mount Lindsay Project
  - Maiden Inferred Resource of 20 Million tonnes at 33%Fe - Mount Lindsay Magnetite-Tin Project
  - First drill hole at Stanley River delivers best Iron result to date with 71m @ 57.1% Iron & 0.39% Tin
- Testwork points to Mount Lindsay potentially being a low cost Iron Producer

Churchill Dam IOCGU Project, SA  
Maitland Channel Uranium & Nickel Project, WA  
Paulsens South Project, WA  
Kingoonya and Harris Bluff, Gawler Craton Projects, SA

## Further Background

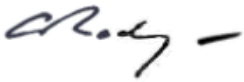
The Mount Lindsay project is located 25kms south-east of the currently operating Savage River Magnetite Mine, 15kms north-west of the recently re-opened Renison Bell Tin Mine and is **adjacent to existing infrastructure**.

Typical magnetite deposits have in ground iron values of 30 to 37% iron, which is then later crushed and concentrated to a product containing 65 to 71% iron with low impurities.

Magnetite ore is a well-known, viable alternative to hematite ores and can produce high grade concentrate suitable for either pellet or sinter production. Magnetite can be used to produce steel and other iron products, and as an additive to increase the specific gravity of slurries.

Kind regards

**VENTURE MINERALS LIMITED**



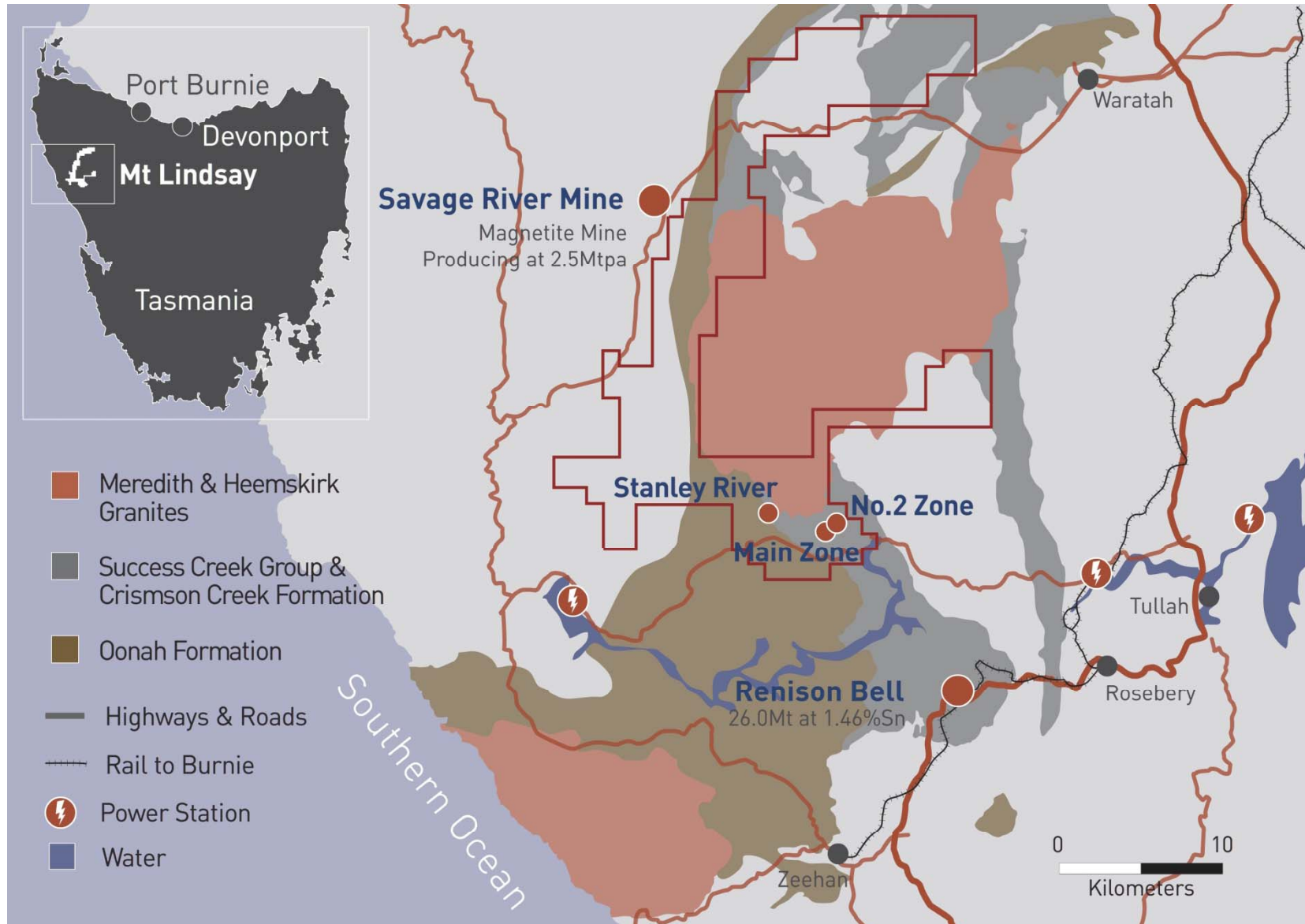
**Andrew Radonjic**  
**MANAGING DIRECTOR**

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Mr Andrew Radonjic, who is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Andrew Radonjic is a full-time employee of the company. Mr Andrew Radonjic has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Andrew Radonjic consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.



Drilling at Stanley River

# MOUNT LINDSAY MAGNETITE - TIN PROJECT NORTH WEST TASMANIA





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### **About magnetite - and global demand**

The quality of direct shipping hematite ore products from the Pilbara continues to fall as higher grade deposits are depleted. Average iron grades and lump proportion have also been falling while impurity levels have been rising - putting increased pressure on steelmaker's productivity worldwide

High quality magnetite concentrate and pellets typically attract a premium to hematite lump product, ranging from 20% to 30%. Recently, prices on the spot market for lump hematite delivered to China have surged, while China's domestic concentrate price has also increased, representing a large premium to Australian contracted ores. China's steel production continues to rise at an annual rate of around 18%, while production is also lifting in Germany and Japan, after years of steady production.

Rising demand for cars, buildings and railroads is also expected to boost China's iron-ore import demand by up to 15 per cent in 2008.

### **Editor's notes**

Venture Minerals is an Australian diversified explorer with high quality energy and minerals projects, including magnetite, tin-tungsten and nickel in Tasmania, copper-gold-uranium in South Australia and uranium, nickel and gold in Western Australia.

The **Mount Lindsay** project is located in the magnetite, tin-tungsten and nickel province of western Tasmania within the south-eastern contact metamorphic aureole of the Meredith Granite approximately 10-20 km from the Rosebery Lead-Zinc-Silver-Gold Mine and Renison Bell Tin Mine. The Meredith Granite is part of a suite of Devonian granites which also host other mineral deposits that include the Savage River Magnetite Mine, the Mount Bischoff and Cleveland Tin Mines, the King Island Tungsten Mine and the Avebury Nickel-sulphide Mine.

**Churchill Dam** sits within the Olympic Dam province of the Gawler Craton. It is approximately 65km southwest of the Olympic Dam-Wirrda Well-Acropolis group which is dominated by the world class Olympic Dam deposit. Olympic Dam is currently the world's 16th largest copper and third largest uranium producer. Churchill Dam is also 95km west of the recently discovered Carrapateena prospect.

### **Other projects**

The Maitland Channel uranium project in Western Australia has potential for the discovery of calcrete-hosted Uranium mineralisation. The project also has potential to host nickel sulphide mineralisation.

The Paulsens South project in Western Australia is prospective for gold discoveries.