Summit to Address the Impact of the \$1.2 Trillion EV Market Demand by 2030 on the Critical Minerals Sector

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CMI Presents "The Race to Achieve a Critical Minerals Supply Chain ROW" at the Critical Minerals Summit on Wednesday, November 9th

Toronto, October 31, 2022 — The <u>Critical Minerals Institute</u>, which was founded for education, collaboration, and to provide professional opportunities to meet the critical minerals supply chain challenges, is pleased to announce the inaugural Critical Minerals Summit (CMS 2022) on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at the historic <u>National Club</u> in Toronto, Canada from 9 AM to 4 PM EST.

"With automakers planning on spending nearly \$1.2 trillion by 2030," says Critical Minerals Institute founder Tracy Weslosky, "it is equally as important to discuss not only where these battery materials are coming from and the technologies involved, but also where will we find the skilled professionals it requires."

Themed *The Race to Achieve a Critical Minerals Supply Chain*, the Chairman of the Critical Minerals Institute Jack Lifton will begin the event with opening remarks aptly titled *Scalability*, *Why the EV Timelines Simply do not Work*.

Geoff Atkins, Founder of Cheetah Resources and previously Managing Director of Vital Metals who succeeded in bringing the Nechalacho rare earths mine into production will kick off the day with his keynote speech titled *The Perfect Storm:* Prioritizing the Demand Drivers Necessary for Mission Critical Minerals Supply Chain.

A one-day, in person event, the Critical Minerals Summit is a bi-annual event designed to bring industry leaders and investors together to address scalability, resource and human capital needs, not only to meet the EV market demands, but to achieve the aggressive legislative timelines set around sustainability and climate change.

In the context of this theme, a special presentation designed by Prof. Saleem H. Ali, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Geography & Spatial Sciences, who is a Blue and Gold Distinguished Professor of Energy and the Environment from University of Delaware, will be presented during lunch. Author of a new book on environmental systems titled *How Natural Laws Define Human Life* (Oxford Univ. Press), his presentation will be followed by a Q&A style interview on the Global Critical Minerals Market with international expert and renowned market leader Constantine Karayannopoulos, President, CEO and Director of Neo Performance Materials Inc. (TSX: NEO).

Throughout the day, a series of 5 panels will be hosted by CMI Directors and the "Who's Who" of international critical minerals experts, with leading industry CEOs participating as panelists. Highlights include the following panels:

- Securing the Capital to build a Supply Chain for the ROW.
- The Extraction & Processing Timeline Advantage
- Global Challenges in Advancing the Critical Minerals
 Supply Chain

- Dealing with the Resource Challenge, the Critical Minerals Shortage.
- The Power of Politics: Government Investment in the Critical Minerals Market

In addition to the above, the CMI will have Ed Buiel PhD, President & CEO, Coulometrics, LLC, speak on the paradox of producing graphite in North America and competing with China, along with special guest and Acting Consul-General, Greg Quinn from the British Consulate-General Toronto, who will address the key points from the recently released UK national critical minerals strategy.

The Critical Minerals Summit will be held at the historic <u>National Club</u> in Toronto from 9 AM to 4 PM EST. Space is strictly limited. For more information go to <u>CriticalMineralsInstitute.com</u>. To purchase a delegate pass, <u>click here</u>.

About the Critical Minerals Institute: The Critical Mineral Institute (CMI) is an international organization for companies and professionals focused on battery materials, technology metals, defense metals, ESG technologies and practices, the general EV market, and the use of critical minerals for energy and alternative energy production. Offering an online site that features job opportunities that range from consulting roles to Advisory Board positions, the CMI offers a wide range of B2B service solutions. Also offering online and in-person events, the CMI is designed for education, collaboration, and to provide professional opportunities to meet the critical minerals supply chain challenges.

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