The Critical Minerals Institute Summit III Unites Global Leaders in Toronto for Landmark Two-Day Event on August 21-22 themed "The Politics of the Critical Minerals Market"

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CMI Co-Chair Jack Lifton to Deliver Keynote Address Titled "Overcoming Our Addiction to China"

Toronto, Ontario – July 24, 2024 – The <u>Critical Minerals</u> <u>Institute</u> (CMI) is pleased to announce its upcoming third summit, <u>CMI Summit III</u>, set to take place on August 21-22, 2024, at the prestigious National Club in Toronto. Under the theme "The Politics of the Critical Minerals Market", this landmark two-day event will bring together industry frontrunners, investors, government representatives, and experts to discuss the pivotal role of critical minerals in the global economy.

Jack Lifton, Co-Chair of the Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) and a renowned expert in critical minerals, will deliver a keynote address titled "Overcoming Our Addiction to China." Lifton will discuss the impact of politics, capital, and technology on the future movement of critical minerals. He will emphasize the significant role of hybrid cars in the future market, noting that they optimize the efficiency of both electric and fossil fuels. Additionally, Lifton will highlight the challenges and impracticalities of recycling permanent magnets used in rare earth elements, describing the process as prohibitively expensive and technically challenging. Addressing the broader issue of dependency on China for critical materials, Lifton remarked, "We've been hypnotized by low-priced everyday goods. Maybe we're paying less, but we're giving up more-our independence." He will underscore the need for Western nations to build their own capacity for producing rare permanent magnet motors to reduce reliance on Chinese imports, stressing the urgency of this shift to maintain economic and technological independence.

CMI Summit III will focus on the advancement of global supply chains related to key critical minerals and the involvement of governments in capital markets as investors in the critical minerals supply chain. Discussions will revolve around the strategic investments and partnerships needed to find, secure, and develop these minerals, essential for technological advancement and economic growth. The summit will highlight the 18 critical minerals identified by CMI as essential for sustaining Western economic growth, with special emphasis on five key minerals: Copper, Lithium, PGMs, REEs, and Uranium, due to their extensive applications in technology, energy, and industrial sectors. Since 2022, CMI has been monitoring critical minerals in 8 countries, tracking 10 lists and over 51 minerals and/or materials from the USA DOE Critical Minerals List, USA USGS Critical Minerals List, Canadian Critical Minerals List, Australia's Critical Minerals List, Australia's Strategic Materials List, UK Critical Minerals List, European Critical Minerals List, Japan Critical Minerals List, South Korea Critical Minerals List, and Indian Critical Minerals List.

The event will feature an array of distinguished speakers and panelists, providing attendees with insights from leading experts and decision-makers. Keynote speakers will be announced independently over the next two weeks, but representatives from the following companies are already on the agenda: American Rare Earths Limited (ASX: ARR | OTCQX: AMRRY), Appia Rare Earths & Uranium Corp. (CSE: API | OTCQX: APAAF), Ara Partners, ArcStone Securities and Investments Corp., Australian Strategic Materials Ltd. (ASX: ASM), Canuc Resources Corporation (CSE: CDA), CBLT Inc. (TSXV: CBLT), Cyclic Materials Inc., CVMR Group of Companies, Energy Fuels Inc. (NYSE American: UUUU | TSX: EFR), First Phosphate Corp. (CSE: PHOS), Grid Metals Corp. (TSXV: GRDM | OTCQB: MSMGF), Lithium Corporation (OTCQB: LTUM), Meteoric Resources NL (ASX: MEI), Nano One Materials Corp. (TSX: NANO), Neo Performance Materials Inc. (TSX: NEO), NeoTerrex Minerals Inc. (TSXV: NTX), Panther Metals PLC (LSE: PALM), Power Nickel Inc. (TSXV: PNPN | OTCQB: PNPNF), Scandium Canada Ltd. (TSXV: SCD | OTCQB: SCDCF), Silver Bullet Mines Corp. (TSXV: SBMI | OTCQB: SBMCF), Stakeholder Gold Corporation (TSXV: SRC), Terra Balcanica Resources Corp. (CSE: TERA), Toyota Canada Inc., Ucore Rare Metals Inc. (TSXV: UCU | OTCQX: UURAF), U.S. Department of Energy, Utah Advanced Materials and Manufacturing Initiative (UAMMI), Xcite Resources Inc. (CSE: XRI), and Zentek Ltd. (NASDAQ: ZTEK | TSXV: ZEN).

Additionally, panel discussions will cover a range of critical topics, including the latest advancements in critical mineral technology, government funding initiatives, and market insights from various global regions: Canada, United States, Australia, Europe, and Africa. These discussions will provide valuable perspectives on the role of critical minerals in the evolving technological and economic landscape. To access the CMI Agenda, <u>click here</u>

About Critical Minerals Institute (CMI)

The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) is a global entity established to cultivate collaboration and specialized knowledge within the critical minerals market. It acts as a central hub for businesses, capital markets, and professionals seeking vital business-to-business resources, government contracts, and networking opportunities with experts and services in the sector. CMI is dedicated to navigating the challenges and seizing the opportunities in this field through a mix of expert consultation, strategic alliances, and focused services and products. Integral to its offerings is the CMI 'brain trust', a collective of leading minds and specialists that provides indepth analysis, strategic insights, and innovative solutions to advance the critical minerals industry. The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) membership package offers access to exclusive resources including a monthly Masterclass and a weekly Technology Metals Report (TMR), along with preferential rates for industry events. Join the CMI, click here

The Critical Minerals Institute (CMI) Summit III

Join us at the prestigious National Club in Toronto for the third iteration of the CMI Summit, a landmark two-day gathering at the cutting edge of the critical minerals sector. Slated for August 21st and 22nd, 2024, the CMI Summit III, under the theme "Connecting Leaders, Advancing Critical Minerals," promises to be an essential confluence for industry frontrunners, investors, and experts. Attend the CMI Summit III, <u>click here</u>

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