Nations Royalty's Derrick Pattenden Discusses Canada's Largest Majority Indigenous-Owned Public Mining Royalty Company

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March 11, 2025 — Nations Royalty Corp. (TSXV: NRC | OTCQB: NRYCF) is setting a new precedent in Canada's mining royalty landscape as "Canada's largest majority Indigenous-owned public company," according to Derrick Pattenden, Chief Investment Officer, in a recent InvestorNews interview with host Peter Clausi during PDAC 2025. Pattenden emphasized the unique position of Nations Royalty, highlighting the company's historical IPO in June 2024 as the first instance in Canada where an Indigenous group contributed assets directly into a publicly traded entity under Indigenous management and control. Pattenden proudly noted, "a lot of people haven't heard of us yet," underscoring the potential for significant growth and public awareness.

Under Pattenden's leadership, Nations Royalty is actively pursuing a strategic expansion plan, employing what he describes as "the classic mining royalty business model," specifically tailored for Indigenous royalty opportunities across Canada. The company is focused on consolidating mining royalties stemming from Impact and Benefit Agreements (IBAs), creating a unique and powerful Indigenous-owned royalty platform. Pattenden emphasized the natural advantage of Indigenous management, stating, "It's easier for me, coming from an Indigenous background, to speak to other First Nations," adding, "I'm a member of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation... Our CFO is Métis, our VP of Corporate Development is Tahltan Nation, Stephanie, our corporate secretary, is from Nisga'a Nation, and we have Sam Brezden, who is Cree and Métis as well."

Backed by mining industry leaders such as Frank Giustra of the Fiore Group and Rob McLeod as interim CEO, Nations Royalty combines deep mining and financial expertise to create value for its shareholders and Indigenous partners. Pattenden emphasized the company's aim for execution in 2025, stating, "We're all about execution and bringing on Indigenous partners," to create a robust, diversified portfolio. With royalties from premier assets including the Brucejack gold mine operated by a subsidiary of Newmont Corporation (NYSE: NEM) and Seabridge Gold Inc.'s (TSX: SEA | NYSE: SA) KSM deposit, Nations Royalty seeks to empower Indigenous communities by enabling them to collectively benefit from Canada's rich resource sector.

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The Company's vision is to unite First Nations and Indigenous groups across Canada, welcoming external investors to join the Company as shareholders. Together, they will combine royalties, income and commodity streams and annual benefit payment entitlements from resource mines and projects, tapping into the growth, diversification and value potential typical of publicly traded royalty companies. As a leader in the spirit of economic reconciliation, Nations Royalty's mission includes capacity building of Indigenous People in public companies and capital markets. To know more about Nations Royalty Corp., click here

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