

Prophecy Signs Gibellini Memorandum of Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management

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✘ October 2, 2018 ([Source](#)) – Prophecy Development Corp. (“Prophecy” or the “Company”) (TSX: PCY, OTCQX: PRPCF, FRA: 1P2N) is pleased to announce that it has signed a Memorandum of Agreement (the “MOA”) for voluntary cost recovery with the Bureau of Land Management, Mount Lewis Field Office (the “BLM”) to expedite Gibellini permitting efforts. Prophecy and the BLM have agreed in principal to a fixed cost structure that will have Prophecy reimburse the BLM for the cost of all anticipated work for the BLM to complete its review of the Company’s submission of Mine Plan of Operations (the “MPO”) and any updates to existing baseline studies.

In July 2018, Prophecy received a 6-page comment letter from the BLM regarding the MPO submitted on May 9, 2018. Since that time, Prophecy has engaged the environmental consulting firm, NewFields Companies, LLC, who have reviewed the letter and completed an internal assessment of the required updates to the Gibellini baseline studies.

Prophecy’s team held a meeting with the BLM at its Battle Mountain office on September 27, 2018 with over 20 people in attendance. The parties discussed at length, and made significant progress towards finalizing the baseline assessment. Meetings will continue into October 2018, with field surveys starting as soon as consensus is reached. The anticipated baseline study updates are to be completed in the first half of 2019.

Concurrently, Prophecy's team is preparing a water pollution control permit application to be filed with the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection by the end of 2018. During the above meeting, the BLM also reaffirmed that Gibellini's Environmental Impact Statement (the "EIS") will be the first in Nevada to undergo streamlined National Environmental Policy Act review under Secretary of the Interior Order No. 3355. The BLM went over the procedures they established and the outline of a resource report which Prophecy intends to prepare and complete, in order to trigger the Notice of Intent (the "NOI," currently anticipated to be in the second half 2019) on EIS preparation and to enable a 12-month decision window from the date of the NOI to an EIS decision.

The full text of the Interior Order No. 3355 may be accessed through the following link:

https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/3355_-_streamlining_national_environmental_policy_reviews_and_implementation.pdf

A presentation for the project's permitting timeline and deliverables can be accessed under the "Project – Gibellini (Primary Vanadium)" section of Prophecy's website: www.prophecydev.com.

John Lee, Prophecy's Executive Chairman, states:

"New fields have come up to speed quickly since joining Prophecy's team in August. With the MOA of voluntary cost recovery, the BLM and Prophecy have both prioritized efforts to expedite Gibellini to EIS approval."

This tangible progress further sets Gibellini apart from other North American primary vanadium projects in terms of the time expected to deliver our vanadium product to the market.

The vanadium bull market is in full swing, with vanadium pentoxide currently trading at a decade high of \$22.90 per pound as reported on www.asianmetal.com.

Qualified Person

The technical content of this news release has been prepared under the supervision of Danniell Oosterman, VP, Exploration. Mr. Oosterman is not independent of the Company in that he is employed as a consultant to the Company and most of his income is derived from the Company. Mr. Oosterman is a Qualified Person as defined in NI 43-101.

About Prophecy

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"JOHN LEE"

Executive Chairman

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