

ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

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CRML SECURES US\$120 MILLION LOI FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TANBREEZ PROJECT

European Lithium Ltd (ASX: EUR, FRA:PF8, OTC: EULIF) (**European Lithium** or the **Company**) is pleased to announce that Critical Metals Corp. (Nasdaq: CRML) (**Critical Metals**) has received a non-binding and conditional Letter of Interest (**LoI**) from the Export-Import Bank of the United States (**EXIM**), indicating support for a total non-dilutive funding package of US\$120 million. EXIM is the official export credit agency of the United States that aims to support the growth of American businesses by offering financing tools including loans, guarantees, and insurance to facilitate international trade to strengthen the United States economy and help support jobs across the United States.

The proposed funding package has a 15-year term and is subject to key development milestones such as permitting, feasibility studies and environmental assessments and EXIM conducting its standard due diligence investigations.

European Lithium is the largest shareholder of Critical Metals, holding 65,916,641 (approximately 63%) ordinary shares in Critical Metals.

This significant funding package is expected to be used to develop Critical Metals' Tanbreez Project, one of the world's largest rare earth deposits located in Greenland.

European Lithium stands to benefit substantially from this financing milestone through its 63% shareholding in Critical Metals. The funding package proposal highlights the strategic importance of the Tanbreez project in bolstering Western supply chains for critical minerals, particularly rare earth elements.

A copy of the announcement released by CRML is available on the Nasdaq website at: <https://www.nasdaq.com/market-activity/stocks/crml/press-releases>²

The Company notes that the LoI is a preliminary stage, non-binding letter of interest. Accordingly, EUR notes that there is no guarantee that the financing package will complete. Further, the structure of the financing package is not yet determined, and accordingly it may take the form of a loan or similar obligation where debt covenants, interest payments and/or security may apply.

In order for the LOI to be converted to a binding financing agreement, the Company notes that EXIM will need to complete standard due diligence investigations (as noted above) and has expressed that financial models, secured construction and operations contracts, reliable resource supply and credible off-take agreements with creditworthy buyers are also necessary pre-application milestones to maximise the project's likelihood of economic success and debt servicing policies. In addition, any commitment to a financing arrangement must comply with EXIM's policies as well as program, legal and eligibility requirements.

At this stage, the Company and CRML have not been given an indicative timeline for the execution of a binding financing arrangement.

This announcement is intended to lift the trading halt of the Company's ordinary shares.



Tony Sage, Executive Chairman of the Company, commented:

“This is a huge milestone for the Tanbreez Project. The flow on effect to European Lithium is enormous. As of close of Nasdaq trading yesterday, the Company’s shareholding in CRML are now valued at approximately A\$305 million).”

Based on the closing share price of Critical Metals being US\$3.03 per share as of 16 June 2025, the Company’s current investment in Critical Metals is valued at US\$199,727,422 (A\$305,582,956) noting that this valuation is subject to fluctuation in the share price of Critical Metals. Through this significant interest, EUR is aligned with Critical Metals’ vision to become a key supplier for critical metals and the lithium-ion battery supply chain in Europe.

ABOUT EUROPEAN LITHIUM

European Lithium Limited is an exploration and development stage mining company focused mainly on lithium, rare earth, precious metals and base metals in Austria, Ireland, Ukraine, and Australia.

For more information, please visit <https://europeanlithium.com>.

ABOUT CRITICAL METALS CORP.

Critical Metals Corp (Nasdaq: CRML) is a leading mining development company focused on critical metals and minerals, and producing strategic products essential to electrification and next generation technologies for Europe and its western world partners. Its flagship Project, Tanbreez, represents one of the world's largest, rare earth deposits located in Greenland. Another key asset is the Wolfsberg Lithium Project located in Carinthia, 270 km south of Vienna, Austria. The Wolfsberg Lithium Project is the first fully permitted mine in Europe and is strategically located with access to established road and rail infrastructure and is expected to be the next major producer of key lithium products to support the European market. Wolfsberg is well positioned with offtake and downstream partners to become a unique and valuable building block in an expanding geostrategic critical metals portfolio. In addition, Critical Metals owns a 20% interest in prospective Austrian mineral projects previously held by European Lithium Ltd. With this strategic asset portfolio, Critical Metals Corp is positioned to become a reliable and sustainable supplier of critical minerals essential for defense applications, clean energy transition, and next-generation technologies in the western world.

For more information, please visit <https://criticalmetalscorp.com/>.

This announcement has been approved for release on ASX by the Board of Directors.

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FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements made in this release are forward-looking statements and are based on the Company’s current expectations, estimates and projections. Words such as “anticipates”, “expects,” “intends,” “plans,” “believes,” “seeks,” “estimates,” “guidance” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes the forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, they are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond Company’s control, including those risks or uncertainties inherent in the process of both developing and commercialising mining projects. As a result, actual results could materially differ from those expressed or forecasted in the forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made in this release relate only to events as of the date on which the statements are made. The Company will not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions or updates to these forward-looking statements to reflect events, circumstances or unanticipated events occurring after the date of this release except as required by law or by any appropriate regulatory authority.

Notes:

1. Refer to Critical Metals NASDAQ announcement published on 16 June 2025 available at the following link: <https://www.nasdaq.com/market-activity/stocks/crml/press-releases>
2. The production target included in the CRML announcement dated 16 June 2025 is based on information included in the Company's announcements titled 'Outstanding Scoping Study Results Tanbreez Rare Earth Project Greenland' released on 23 April 2025 and "Update to Tanbreez Scoping Study to Include Addendum to MRE" released on 29 May 2025.

The Company confirms that all material assumptions underpinning the production target in its announcements released on 23 April 2025 and 29 May 2025 continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The Company cautions that any production targets or forward-looking statements related to the recovery and sale of specific mineral products are based on extensive testwork that clearly demonstrated the relationship between the Mineral resource estimates, based elemental oxide content, and the production of concentrates through the process plant and can be relied on even though the mineral resource estimations reports only elemental oxide contents. Extensive testwork has clearly demonstrated the relationship between the Mineral resource estimates and the production of concentrates through the process plant.

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