Lithium Australia appoints Manager - Raw Materials

Lithium Australia is pleased to announce the appointment of Mark Strizek to the position of Manager – Raw Materials.

Mark is a resource industry professional with over 20 years in the industry. Mark brings a wealth of experience in technology metals, specifically in whole of cycle; exploration, resource development, feasibility, finance and development ready assets in Australia, Africa and Europe.

The Manager – Raw Materials will be responsible for:
- the Company's global exploration portfolio;
- identification of new resource opportunities; and
- sourcing the raw material inputs for the development of future Sileach® and LieNA® operations.

Sileach® is a proprietary acid digestion process for the extraction of lithium and valuable by-products from lithium micas. Those micas are commonly associated with tin and tantalum and are often waste products from the production of spodumene concentrate, the most prevalent lithium concentrate.

LieNA® is a proprietary alkaline digestion process for the recovery of lithium from fine spodumene. The latter is often unsuitable feed for conventional lithium “converters” but is most effectively treated with LieNA®. The application of LieNA® provides the potential to improve resource utilisation and sustainability of the battery industry.

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About Lithium Australia NL

Lithium Australia aspires to ‘close the loop’ on the energy-metal cycle in an ethical and sustainable manner. To that end, it has amassed a portfolio of projects and alliances and developed innovative extraction processes to convert all lithium silicates (including mine waste) to lithium chemicals. From these chemicals, the Company plans to produce advanced components for the lithium-ion battery industry. The final step for Lithium Australia involves the recycling of spent batteries and e-waste. By uniting resources and the best available technology, the Company aims to establish a vertically integrated lithium processing business.

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