



Benton Resources Inc. Completes Vinland Shares Spin-out

Thunder Bay, ON, April 25, 2025 – Benton Resources Inc. ("Benton" or the "Company") (TSXV: BEX) announces that the Company's planned spin-out of approximately half of its shares of Vinland Lithium Inc has been completed. Accounts holding at least 5,000 Benton shares will see approximately 50 Vinland shares credited for each 5,000 Benton shares owned with the credit effective Wednesday April 30, 2025.

Details of the spin-out are contained in the Company's February 4, 2025 Management Information Circular, filed under the Company's profile on SEDAR+. Benton will spin-out to its shareholders a total of 2,025,126 common shares of Vinland and will continue to hold 2,000,000 Vinland shares. Vinland has approximately 10,000,000 issued shares. Sokoman Minerals Corp. is concurrently spinning out the same number of Vinland shares to its shareholders. Benton shares after the spin-out are herein "New Benton" shares are identical to Benton shares currently listed ("Old Benton"), except that they are post-spin-out of Vinland. New Benton shares have a new identifying security number CA0832971018.

No Vinland Shares will be listed on the Exchange on closing of the Plan of Arrangement; however, Vinland has made a separate application to the Exchange for listing of the Vinland Shares. The Benton New Common Shares will be listed on the Exchange at market open on Tuesday April 29, 2025, and the Benton Old Common Shares will be delisted from the Exchange effective close of business April 28, 2025. Accounts holding less than 5,000 Benton shares will not participate in the Vinland share distribution.

About Benton Resources Inc.

Benton Resources is a well-financed mineral exploration company listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol BEX. Benton has a diversified, highly prospective property portfolio and holds large equity positions in other mining companies that are advancing high-quality assets. Whenever possible, BEX retains net smelter return (NSR) royalties with the potential for long-term cash flow.

Benton is focused on advancing its high-grade Copper-Gold Great Burnt Project in central Newfoundland, which has a Mineral Resource estimate of 667,000 tonnes @ 3.21% Cu Indicated and 482,000 @ 2.35% Cu Inferred. The Project has an excellent geological setting covering 25km of strike and boasts six known Cu-Au-Ag zones over 15km that are all open for expansion. Further potential for discovery is excellent given the extensive number of untested geophysical targets and Cu-Au soil anomalies. Phase 1 and 2 drill programs returned impressive results including 25.42 m of 5.51% Cu, including 9.78 m of 8.31% Cu, and 1.00 m of 12.70% Cu.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Benton Resources Inc.,

"Stephen Stares"

Stephen Stares, President

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