

ASX Announcement

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Energia Appoints Dr Leigh Bettenay as Executive Director – Exploration and Development

Australian uranium company Energia Minerals Ltd (ASX: EMX – “Energia” or “the Company”) is pleased to announce the appointment of **Dr Leigh Bettenay** to its Board as **Executive Director – Exploration and Development**.

Dr Bettenay, who has held the position of General Manager – Exploration and Development since Energia listed in late 2009, is one of Australia’s most experienced Geologists and Geochemists with over 30 years multi-commodity experience across Australia and overseas.

His distinguished career has included a number of senior executive positions with leading mining houses, including Chief Geochemist at MIM Exploration, Chief Geologist at Homestake Australia, Principal Geochemist at BHP Minerals and Chief Geologist at Sipa Resources.

Dr Bettenay holds an Honours degree in Geology from the University of Western Australia and a PhD which was awarded in 1978. He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG) and a Registered Professional Geoscientist of the AIG.

Dr Bettenay is an authority on exploration geochemistry techniques and teaches an Honours-level course at the University of Western Australia where he is an External Research Fellow. His uranium experience includes consulting to Uranerz Australia Ltd (1988-1991).

The appointment recognises Dr Bettenay’s instrumental contribution to the Company since its inception, and the key role which he will play in the continued exploration and development of its uranium assets in the Carnarvon Basin of Western Australia and Italy.

As a result of his permanent appointment to the Board, Dr Bettenay has resigned as the alternate director for Mr Ian Walker.

For details regarding the relevant interest that Dr Bettenay has in the securities of Energia, please refer to his most recent Appendix 3Y lodged with the Australian Securities Exchange on 14 July 2010.

Keren Paterson,



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