

**NEWS RELEASE** 

# NEW PACIFIC ANNOUNCES RECEIPT OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE MINING CONTRACT FOR ITS FLAGSHIP SILVER SAND PROJECT

**VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA – AUGUST 12, 2021** – New Pacific Metals Corp. ("New Pacific" or the "Company") (TSX: NUAG; NYSE American: NEWP) is pleased to announce that Bolivia's Jurisdictional Mining Administrative Authority (*Autoridad Jurisdiccional Administrativa Minera* or "AJAM") has granted an Administrative Mining Contract (*Contrato Administrativo Minero* or "AMC") for the Company's Silver Sand Project. All required registration, notarization and publication steps to perfect the title of the AMC in favour of Empresa Minera Alcira S.A., the Company's wholly-owned Bolivian subsidiary, are complete.

**The AMC establishes a clear title to the Silver Sand Project mineral rights**. In accordance with Bolivia's Mining Laws, as summarized below, New Pacific submitted all required documents for the consolidation and conversion of the original seventeen ATEs that comprised the Silver Sand Project to *cuadriculas* and an AMC to AJAM. The AMC for the Silver Sand Project was signed with AJAM in 2020, registered and notarized before Bolivia's National Mining Registry on June 17, 2021, and published in AJAM's Mining Gazette on July 15, 2021.

The AMC for the Silver Sand Project, which hosts the Silver Sand deposit, covers an area of 3.17 km<sup>2</sup>. The total area under full control of the Company will be 5.42 km<sup>2</sup> after completing the consolidation and conversion procedures for the North Block, which is comprised of three ATEs (Jisas, Jardan and El Bronce).

Dr. Mark Cruise, CEO of New Pacific said, "We are very pleased by the receipt of the AMC and mineral rights for the Silver Sand Project. In addition to our 2021 drill program and the advancement of the PEA work, the AMC unequivocally establishes title for the Project."

### About Bolivian Mining Law

Exploration and mining rights in Bolivia are granted by the Ministry of Mines and Metallurgy through AJAM. A new and complete Mining and Metallurgy Law No. 535 was introduced in May, 2014 (the "2014 Mining Law"). The 2014 Mining Law was modified by Law No. 845 in October, 2016 (the "2016 Mining Law" and together with 2014 Mining Law, the "Mining Law"). Under the

Mining Law, tenure is granted as either an exploration license for early-stage projects or an AMC for development-stage project. Tenure held under the previous "historic" legislation was converted to Temporary Special Authorizations or ATEs, formerly known as "mining concessions", under the Mining Law. These ATEs are required to be consolidated to new 25-hectare sized *cuadriculas* and then converted to AMCs. AMCs created by conversion recognize existing rights of exploration and exploitation and development, including treatment, foundry refining/smelting, and trading. AMCs have a fixed term of 30 years and can be extended for a further 30 years if certain conditions are met. Each AMC requires ongoing work and the submission of technical work plans to AJAM.

## ABOUT NEW PACIFIC

New Pacific is a Canadian exploration and development company with precious metal projects, including the flagship <u>Silver Sand Project</u>, the <u>Silverstrike Project</u> and the <u>Carangas Project</u>, all of which are located in Bolivia. The Company is focused on progressing the development of the Silver Sand Project, while growing its Mineral Resources through the exploration and acquisition of properties in the Americas.

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conditions, foreign exchange risks, interest rate risk, foreign investment risk; loss of key personnel; conflicts of interest; dependence on management, uncertainties relating to the availability and costs of financing needed in the future, environmental risks, operations and political conditions, the regulatory environment in Bolivia and Canada, risks associated with community relations and corporate social responsibility, and other factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended June 30, 2020 and its other public filings.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of the Company's forward-looking statements or information.

The forward-looking statements are necessarily based on a number of estimates, assumptions, beliefs, expectations and opinions of management as of the date of this news release that, while considered reasonable by management, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies. These estimates, assumptions, beliefs, expectations and options include, but are not limited to, those related to the Company's ability to carry on current and future operations, including: the duration and effects of COVID-19 on our operations and workforce; development and exploration activities; the timing, extent, duration and economic viability of such operations; the accuracy and reliability of estimates, projections, forecasts, studies and assessments; the Company's ability to meet or achieve estimates, projections and forecasts; the stabilization of the political climate in Bolivia; the price and market for outputs; foreign exchange rates; taxation levels; the timely receipt of necessary approvals or permits, including the ratification and approval of the Mining Production Contract with COMIBOL by the Plurinational Legislative Assembly of Bolivia; the ability to meet current and future obligations; the ability to obtain timely financing on reasonable terms when required; the current and future social, economic and political conditions; and other assumptions and factors generally associated with the mining industry.

Although the forward-looking statements contained in this news release are based upon what management believes are reasonable assumptions, there can be no assurance that actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements in this news release are qualified by these cautionary statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on such statements. Other than specifically required by applicable laws, the Company is under no obligation and expressly disclaims any such obligation to update or alter the forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise except as may be required by law. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this news release.