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## **Appointment of Chief Operating Officer**

West Australian gold explorer Focus Minerals (ASX: FML) (Focus or the Company) wishes to advise shareholders that Mr Rod Johns has accepted the new role of Chief Operating Officer of Focus, commencing immediately, to steer the development of Coolgardie and Laverton Gold Projects.

Mr Johns has extensive experience in the WA gold sector, having held senior positions at Delta Gold, Placer Dome, La Mancha Resources and Echo Resources that included oversight and delivery of growth strategies, new processing plants and mine optimisations. His past experience makes him the ideal candidate to bring the Coolgardie project back into production.

In order to fully dedicate his time to the new role, Mr Johns has agreed to step down as a director of the Company, effective immediately. The Company has commenced the process of identifying suitable independent non-executive director candidates and will announce the appointment once engagement arrangements and related due diligence are completed.

The release of this ASX announcement was authorised by Mr Wanghong Yang, Executive Chairman of Focus Minerals Ltd.

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## **About Focus Minerals Limited (ASX: FML)**

Focus Minerals is a Perth-based, ASX-listed gold exploration company focused on delivering shareholder value from its 100%-owned Coolgardie Gold Project and Laverton Gold Project, in Western Australia's Goldfields.

Focus is committed to delivering shareholder value from the Coolgardie Gold Project, a 175km² tenement holding that includes the 1.4Mtpa processing plant at Three Mile Hill (on care and maintenance), by continuing exploration and value-enhancing activities. An updated PFS in September 2020 highlighted the potential for a low capital cost, fast-tracked return to mining at Coolgardie and delivered an NPV<sub>7.5%</sub> of \$183 million. The Company's efforts are now focused on increasing production ready Mineral Resources at Coolgardie and delivering the approvals and permits required for a resumption of gold-mining operations.

The Laverton Gold Project covers  $386 \text{km}^2$  area of highly prospective ground that includes the historic Lancefield and Chatterbox Trend mines. Focus' priority target is to confirm sufficient gold mineralisation at the Beasley Shear Zone, Lancefield-Wedge Thrust, Karridale and Burtville to support a Stage 1 production restart at Laverton. In parallel, Focus is working to advance key Laverton resource growth targets including Sickle, Ida-H and Burtville South. Focus has delivered first results from a progressive Pre-Feasibility Study (Pre-Tax NPV<sub>5.0%</sub> A \$132M) and is advancing study work utilising Laverton's expanded Mineral Resource position.