Tasman Provides Update on Mining Lease for Norra Karr Heavy Rare Earth Element Project, Sweden

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Jan 20, 2014) - <u>Tasman Metals Ltd.</u> ("Tasman" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:TSM)(FRANKFURT:T61)(NYSE MKT:TAS). Mr Mark Saxon, President & CEO, provides an update on the Mining Lease for the Norra Karr heavy rare earth element (REE) project in Sweden.

On May 21st 2013, Tasman announced that a 25 year Mining Lease for Norra Karr had been granted to the Company, and that stakeholders had the right to file an appeal. On July 25th 2013, the Company provided an update that an appeal had been lodged by certain stakeholders. The filing of this appeal had no impact on the legal status of the Mining Lease, and the Company was confident that the appeal would not be successful.

Tasman has now been notified by the Swedish Ministry of Industry (Näringsdepartementet) that the Mining Lease for Norra Karr has been confirmed and the appeal was unsuccessful. Following this decision, no further right of appeal exists against the validity of the Mining Lease.

As announced May 21st 2013, the Mining Lease gives Tasman the full mineral rights for the Norra Karr project for an initial period of 25 years, which is then automatically renewed in 10 year increments if the mine is in operation. The lease was granted by the Swedish Mining Inspectorate (Bergsstaten) after the assessment of extensive environmental and social impact data that was collected by independent consultants and submitted by Tasman.

"The appeals process is an important part of the Swedish Mining Act and we are glad to have had Norra Karr dealt with in a fast and efficient manner" said Mark Saxon, Tasman's President and CEO. "We believe Norra Karr can provide a great opportunity for the region and for Sweden without a significant impact on the environment, and we will continue to work closely with all stakeholders as we advance the project."

Norra Karr lies 15km NNE of the township of Gränna and 300km SW of the capital Stockholm in mixed forestry and farming land. The short time taken from discovery to mining lease application demonstrates the efficiency and advantage of operating in a jurisdiction with a strong and transparent Mining Act and a long term association with resource industries. The project is proximal to road, rail, power and operating ports, plus skilled personnel, minimizing the need for offsite infrastructure to be built by the Company.

Tasman's Qualified Person, Mr. Mark Saxon, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tasman and a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists, has reviewed and verified the contents of this news release.

About Tasman Metals Ltd.

Tasman is a Canadian mineral development company focused on critical metals including Rare Earth Elements (REE's) and tungsten (W) in Scandinavia. Tasman is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "TSM" and the NYSE-MKT under the symbol "TAS". REE and tungsten demand is increasing, due to the metals' unique properties that make them essential for high technology and industry. Since over 95% of REE and 80% of tungsten supply is sourced from China, the European Commission promotes policy to develop domestic supply of critical metals to ensure the security of industry. Tasman receives research funding from the European Commission.

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Tasman's exploration portfolio is uniquely placed, with the capacity to deliver strategic metals from politically stable, mining friendly jurisdictions with developed infrastructure and skills. The Company's Norra Karr and Olserum projects in Sweden are two of the most significant known heavy REE resources in the world, enriched in dysprosium, yttrium, terbium and neodymium. The Company is now focused on the safe, sustainable and responsible development of its Scandinavian mineral portfolio.

On behalf of the Board,

Mark Saxon, President & CEO

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