BlueBird Commences Exploration at the Ashburton Cobalt Project, Western Australia

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VANCOUVER, Nov. 14, 2018 - BlueBird Battery Metals Inc. (TSXV: BATT; US:BBBMF) (the "Company" or "BlueBird") is pleased to announce that the initial exploration of its 100%-owned Ashburton Project is commencing. The Ashburton Project, located 315 km south of Karratha and 950 km north of Perth in Western Australia (Ref. Figure 1), is comprised of four tenements (189 km^2), located along the highly prospective Talga Fault Zone ("TFZ"). The tenements include over 30 km of strike length along the TFZ where historical surface sampling returned anomalous cobalt values greater than 0.10% Co associated with extensive manganese mineralization that extends for over 60 km along the TFZ (Ref. Table 1). The manganese mineralization was the focal point of historical sampling programs but the presence of cobalt mineralization offers significant exploration upside.

The first phase of exploration will consist of ground reconnaissance mapping and sampling focused on areas where historical surface sample results, collected by others, yielded highly anomalous cobalt values (Ref. Table 1 and Figure 2). Reconnaissance-scale mapping and sampling will be undertaken to evaluate selected target areas to verify the historical results. In addition, the Company plans to collect a number of 15-30 kg samples that will be analyzed using acid leach analytical methods to evaluate the recoverability of the cobalt-manganese mineralization.

Table 1 - Selected Surface Rock Chip Results – Ashburton Project

Sample	Easting	Northing	Ba ppm	Co ppm	Co %	Cu ppm	Mn %	Mo ppm	Ni ppm	Zn ppm
109682	480684	7386325	3000	3110	0.31	1570	37.6	3.5	1480	1270
CAPR0461	513000	7365230	793	3060	0.31	210	16.7	0.5	986	1180
109691	479125	7387008	1090	2500	0.25	666	17.2	3.0	394	452
108542	477898	7389615	782	2300	0.23	1440	6.5	88.0	1660	331
CAPR0024	430184	7414361	65400	2150	0.22	712	25.6	0.0	0	696
109681	480702	7386075	853	2130	0.21	332	17.5	12.0	392	630
CAPR0042	434478	7412365	12600	1760	0.18	706	13.1	18.0	540	594
CAPR0068	446709	7413236	99	1670	0.17	998	11.8	4.0	3560	4840
109812	480680	7386330	983	1430	0.14	496	8.6	3.0	656	370
101504	477474	7389296	9400	1400	0.14	372	8.3	0.5	456	322
109687	479239	7386866	1920	1130	0.11	470	11.0	4.5	410	286
CAPR0437	480925	7385865	387	1090	0.11	196	0.9	3.0	528	634
CAPR0442	488470	7380690	47100	1050	0.11	8	21.2	1.0	22	82

Table 1 includes selected results from historical surface rock chip sampling of the Ashburton Project. There are no assurances that the Company will be able to duplicate these results.

"The Company is eager to begin this initial phase of exploration at Ashburton. Emerging technological advancements in sulfuric acid leaching of manganese cobalt mineralization elsewhere in Australia is demonstrating considerable potential for robust recoveries producing a low cost, manganese - cobalt sulphate product. This initial exploration work, in addition to confirming and expanding the historical anomalous cobalt grades, will provide sufficient sample material to perform bench-scale metallurgical testing to confirm the viability of sulfuric leaching of the Ashburton mineralization," commented Gary Nassif,

President of BlueBird.

About the Ashburton Project

Cobalt and manganese mineralization occurs largely within a 4-km thick sequence of sediments and dolomites paralleling the NW trend of the TFZ. The TFZ is a regional-scale structural suture zone between the meta-sedimentary and meta-volcanic rocks of the Ashburton Basin with the meta-sedimentary and meta-igneous rocks of the Gascoyne Complex.

Historical surface rock geochemical sampling completed by others was focused on evaluating the extensive manganese mineralization within the sediments and dolomites paralleling the TFZ. This sample population was not extensively assayed for cobalt until late in the history of the Project. The limited amount of samples assayed for cobalt returned values ranging from trace to 0.311% (Ref. Table 1). The initial exploration program will focus largely on the Jessica Bore tenements (Ref. Figure 2), where historical sampling returned the highest number of anomalous cobalt values. The Company anticipates receiving results from this initial phase of exploration by the end of 2018.

"The commencement of field-based exploration across the Ashburton Cobalt-Manganese Project represents the first campaign undertaken across the property that specifically targets the cobalt potential. Cobalt results returned to date from the property are extremely encouraging and our goal with this initial phase of exploration work is to delineate the scale-potential of these targets," commented Nav Dhaliwal, CEO of BlueBird.

The technical content of this news release has been reviewed and approved Wesley Hanson, P.Geo., a director of the Company and a Qualified Person pursuant to National Instrument 43-101. The qualified person has not yet visited the Ashburton Project and therefore has not yet verified the data disclosed, including sampling, analytical, and test data underlying the information or opinions contained in the written disclosure.

About BlueBird Battery Metals

BlueBird Battery Metals (TSXV: BATT; US: BBBMF) is a Canadian publicly listed company focused on the exploration and development of strategic battery metals projects, primarily cobalt and nickel. BlueBird's goal is to pursue a business model that offers direct and long-term leverage to the price appreciation in nickel and cobalt, two principal materials in EV batteries. The Company plans to become a leader in the battery metals sector as cobalt is currently in a global supply deficit, has a vulnerable supply chain, and is part of an emerging sector with extraordinary potential. BlueBird is advancing its portfolio of battery metals-focused assets in Western Australia and is currently reviewing new acquisition opportunities to add to the Company's project portfolio.

On Behalf of the Board of BlueBird Battery Metals Inc.

Nav Dhaliwal
Chief Exeuctive Officer

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