

PolyMet Mining Corp. Shareholders Approve Plan of Arrangement with Glencore

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St. Paul, Nov. 1, 2023 - [PolyMet Mining Corp.](#) (TSX: POM) (NYSE American: PLM) ("PolyMet" or the "Company") announces that shareholders of PolyMet approved the previously announced plan of arrangement (the "Arrangement") with Glencore AG ("Glencore") at a special meeting (the "Meeting") of PolyMet shareholders ("Shareholders") held earlier today.

At the Meeting, Shareholders voted to approve the acquisition by Glencore of all of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company ("Common Shares") that Glencore does not currently own (the "Minority Shares") for US\$2.11 in cash per Minority Share (the "Consideration"). The Arrangement will be effected on November 7, 2023, subject to PolyMet obtaining a final order ("Final Order") from the British Columbia Supreme Court approving the Arrangement, and the satisfaction or waiver of other customary closing conditions.

Meeting Results

A total of 173,334,881 Common Shares (representing 89.13% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares), including a total of 13,528,107 Minority Shares (representing 39.03% of the issued and outstanding Minority Shares), were present in person, virtually or by proxy at the Meeting. The percentage of the votes that were cast in favor of the arrangement are summarized as follows:

	Votes For		Votes Against		Votes Abstained	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Common Shares Voted	170,886,121	98.58%	2,369,493	1.36%	79,267	0.04%
Minority Shares Voted ⁽¹⁾	11,079,347	(1) 81.89%	2,369,493	17.51%	79,267	0.58%

(1) Excludes an aggregate of 159,806,774 Common Shares voted by Glencore and other persons required to be excluded pursuant to Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions.

Status of Closing Conditions

PolyMet is scheduled to seek the Final Order from the British Columbia Supreme Court on November 3, 2023.

Completion of the Arrangement is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of other closing conditions, including the receipt of the Final Order. Assuming that the remaining conditions to closing are satisfied, it is expected that the Arrangement will be effected on November 7, 2023. On completion of the Arrangement, it is anticipated that the Common Shares will be delisted from the Toronto Stock Exchange and the NYSE American.

Enclosed with the management proxy circular of PolyMet dated September 28, 2023 and sent to the shareholders of PolyMet in connection with the Arrangement was a letter of transmittal explaining how registered shareholders of PolyMet can submit their Common Shares in order to receive the Consideration. Shareholders who have questions or require assistance with submitting their Common Shares may direct their questions to Computershare Investor Services Inc., by telephone at 1-800-564-6253 (toll free in Canada and the United States) or 514-982-7555 (international direct dial) or by email at corporateactions@computershare.com.

About PolyMet

PolyMet is a mine development company holding a 50% interest in NewRange Copper Nickel LLC, a joint venture with Teck Resources. NewRange Copper Nickel holds the NorthMet and Mesaba copper, nickel, cobalt and platinum group metal (PGM) deposits, two globally significant clean energy mineral resources

located in the Duluth Complex in northeast Minnesota. The Duluth Complex is one of the world's major, undeveloped copper, nickel and PGM metal mining regions. NorthMet is the first large-scale project to have received permits within the Duluth Complex; however, legal challenges contesting various aspects of NorthMet federal and state permits and decisions are ongoing. For more information: www.polymetmining.com.

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Specific reference is also made to risk factors and other considerations underlying forward-looking statements discussed in the management proxy of the Company dated September 28, 2023 under the heading "Risk Factors", PolyMet's most recent Annual Report on Form 40-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, and in our other filings with Canadian securities authorities and the SEC.

The Annual Report on Form 40-F also contains the Company's mineral resource and other data as required under National Instrument 43-101.

No regulatory authority has reviewed or accepted responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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