

Whitecap Resources Inc. Closes Previously Announced Infrastructure Disposition And Lator Phase 1 Funding

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CALGARY, Jan. 2, 2025 - [Whitecap Resources Inc.](#) ("Whitecap" or the "Company") (TSX: WCP) is pleased to announce that the partial working interest disposition of its 15-07 Kaybob Complex for \$420 million to Pembina Gas Infrastructure ("PGI") closed on December 31, 2024. Proceeds have been used to reduce net debt to below \$1 billion¹, resulting in a Debt to EBITDA ratio² of only 0.5 times and over \$1.6 billion of unused debt capacity. This low leverage combined with ample liquidity, positions Whitecap well heading into 2025 for another year of robust shareholder returns including enhanced per share growth metrics.

We have also closed our strategic partnership with PGI to fund 100% of phase 1 of the Lator Infrastructure which includes our 04-13 battery with natural gas compression capacity of approximately 150,000 mcf/d and condensate stabilization capacity of 10,000 - 15,000 bbl/d, along with investment in new natural gas and condensate gathering pipelines. This is an important milestone for us, unlocking 35,000 - 40,000 boe/d³ of Montney production in Whitecap's highly economic Lator area, with the potential to increase to 85,000 boe/d with our Lator phase 2 development. Completion of the Lator Facility is expected in late 2026/early 2027, with design and engineering work progressing and front-end engineering complete.

Our strategic partnership with PGI includes securing additional access, enhanced contract terms and highly competitive fees on processing, transportation, fractionation and marketing for our current and future Montney and Duvernay development. The access to PGI and Pembina's vast network of infrastructure and midstream assets across Alberta improves our operational flexibility and increases our ability to enhance our netback through downstream optimization.

On behalf of our board of directors and management team, we would like to thank our shareholders for their ongoing support and look forward to another year of operational and financial excellence in 2025 and beyond.

NOTES

¹ Net debt is a capital management measure. Refer to the Specified Financial Measures section in this press release for additional disclosure.

² Debt to EBITDA ratio is a specified financial measure that is calculated in accordance with the financial covenants in our credit agreement.

³ See Oil and Gas Advisories for more information on production on a per boe basis.

NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information (collectively "forward-looking information") within the meaning of applicable securities laws relating to the Company's plans and other aspects of our anticipated future operations, management focus, strategies, financial, operating and production results and business opportunities. Forward-looking information typically uses words such as "anticipate", "believe", "continue", "trend", "sustain", "project", "expect", "forecast", "budget", "goal", "guidance", "plan", "objective", "strategy", "target", "intend", "estimate", "potential", or similar words suggesting future outcomes, statements that actions, events or conditions "may", "would", "could" or "will" be taken or occur in the future, including statements about our strategy, plans, focus, objectives, priorities and position.

In particular, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this press release contains forward-looking

information with respect to: our estimate for net debt of below \$1 billion (0.5 times Debt/EBITDA) and over \$1.6 billion of unused debt capacity; that our low leverage combined with ample liquidity, positions us well heading into 2025 for another year of robust shareholder returns including enhanced per share growth metrics; our expectations for the size and the timing of completion of the Lator Infrastructure, including that the completion of the facility would unlock 35,000 - 40,000 boe/d of Montney production in Whitecap's highly economic Lator area, , with the potential to increase to 85,000 boe/d with our Lator phase 2 development , along with investment in new natural gas and condensate gathering pipelines; our belief that with access to PGI and Pembina's vast network of infrastructure and midstream assets across Alberta improves our operational flexibility and increases our ability to enhance our netback through downstream optimization; and that we will achieve another year of operational and financial excellence in 2025 and beyond.

The forward-looking information is based on certain key expectations and assumptions made by our management, including: that we will continue to conduct our operations in a manner consistent with past operations except as specifically noted herein or as previously disclosed (and for greater certainty, the forward-looking information contained herein excludes the potential impact of any acquisitions or dispositions that we may complete in the future that has not been previously disclosed); the general continuance or improvement in current industry conditions; the continuance of existing (and in certain circumstances, the implementation of proposed) tax, royalty and regulatory regimes; expectations and assumptions concerning prevailing and forecast commodity prices, exchange rates, interest rates, inflation rates, applicable royalty rates and tax laws, including the assumptions specifically set forth herein; the ability of OPEC+ nations and other major producers of crude oil to adjust crude oil production levels and thereby manage world crude oil prices; the impact (and the duration thereof) of the ongoing military actions in the Middle East and between Russia and Ukraine and related sanctions on crude oil, NGLs and natural gas prices; the impact of current and forecast inflation rates and interest rates on the North American and world economies and the corresponding impact on our costs, our profitability, and on crude oil, NGLs, and natural gas prices; future production rates and estimates of operating costs and development capital, including as specifically set forth herein; performance of existing and future wells; reserve volumes and net present values thereof; anticipated timing and results of capital expenditures/development capital, including as specifically set forth herein; the success obtained in drilling new wells; the sufficiency of budgeted capital expenditures in carrying out planned activities; the timing, location and extent of future drilling operations; the timing and costs of pipeline, storage and facility construction and expansion; the state of the economy and the exploration and production business; results of operations; business prospects and opportunities; the availability and cost of financing, labour and services; future dividend levels and share repurchase levels; the impact of increasing competition; ability to efficiently integrate assets and employees acquired through acquisitions or asset exchange transactions; ability to market oil and natural gas successfully; our ability to access capital and the cost and terms thereof; that we will not be forced to shut-in production due to weather events such as wildfires, floods, droughts or extreme hot or cold temperatures; and that we will be successful in defending against previously disclosed and ongoing reassessments received from the Canada Revenue Agency and assessments received from the Alberta Tax and Revenue Administration.

Although we believe that the expectations and assumptions on which such forward-looking information is based are reasonable, undue reliance should not be placed on the forward-looking information because Whitecap can give no assurance that they will prove to be correct. Since forward-looking information addresses future events and conditions, by its very nature it involves inherent risks and uncertainties. These include, but are not limited to: the risk that the funds that we ultimately return to shareholders through dividends and/or share repurchases is less than currently anticipated and/or is delayed, whether due to the risks identified herein or otherwise; the risk that any of our material assumptions prove to be materially inaccurate, including our 2024 forecast (including for commodity prices and exchange rates); the risk that the new U.S. administration imposes tariffs on Canadian goods, including crude oil and natural gas, and that such tariffs (and/or the Canadian government's response to such tariffs) adversely affect the demand and/or market price for the Company's products and/or otherwise adversely affects the Company; the risks associated with the oil and gas industry in general such as operational risks in development, exploration and production, including the risk that weather events such as wildfires, flooding, droughts or extreme hot or cold temperatures forces us to shut-in production or otherwise adversely affects our operations; pandemics and epidemics; delays or changes in plans with respect to exploration or development projects or capital expenditures; the uncertainty of estimates and projections relating to reserves, production, costs and expenses; risks associated with increasing costs, whether due to high inflation rates, high interest rates, supply chain disruptions or other factors; health, safety and environmental risks; commodity price and exchange rate fluctuations; interest rate fluctuations; inflation rate fluctuations; marketing and transportation risks; loss of markets; environmental risks; competition; incorrect assessment of the value of acquisitions; failure to complete or realize the anticipated benefits of acquisitions or dispositions; the risk that going forward we may be unable to access sufficient capital from internal and external sources on acceptable terms or at all; failure to obtain required regulatory and other approvals; reliance on third parties and pipeline systems; changes in legislation, including but not limited to tax laws, production curtailment, royalties and

environmental (including emissions and "greenwashing") regulations; the risk that we do not successfully defend against previously disclosed and ongoing reassessments received from the Canada Revenue Agency and assessments received from the Alberta Tax and Revenue Administration and are required to pay additional taxes, interest and penalties as a result; and the risk that the amount of future cash dividends paid by us and/or shares repurchased for cancellation by us, if any, will be subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors and may vary depending on a variety of factors and conditions existing from time to time, including, among other things, fluctuations in commodity prices, production levels, capital expenditure requirements, debt service requirements, operating costs, royalty burdens, foreign exchange rates, contractual restrictions contained in our debt agreements, and the satisfaction of the liquidity and solvency tests imposed by applicable corporate law for the declaration and payment of dividends and/or the repurchase of shares - depending on these and various other factors as disclosed herein or otherwise, many of which will be beyond our control, our dividend policy and/or share buyback policy and, as a result, future cash dividends and/or share buybacks, could be reduced or suspended entirely. Our actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, the forward-looking information and, accordingly, no assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking information will transpire or occur, or if any of them do so, what benefits that we will derive therefrom. Management has included the above summary of assumptions and risks related to forward-looking information provided in this press release in order to provide security holders with a more complete perspective on our future operations and such information may not be appropriate for other purposes.

Readers are cautioned that the foregoing lists of factors are not exhaustive. Additional information on these and other factors that could affect our operations or financial results are included in reports on file with applicable securities regulatory authorities and may be accessed through the SEDAR+ website (www.sedarplus.ca).

These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this press release and we disclaim any intent or obligation to update publicly any forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise, other than as required by applicable securities laws.

This press release contains future-oriented financial information and financial outlook information (collectively, "FOFI") about our estimated net debt, Debt/EBITDA ratio and unused debt capacity, all of which are subject to the same assumptions, risk factors, limitations, and qualifications as set forth in the above paragraphs. The actual results of operations of Whitecap and the resulting financial results will likely vary from the amounts set forth herein and such variation may be material. Whitecap and its management believe that the FOFI has been prepared on a reasonable basis, reflecting management's best estimates and judgments. However, because this information is subjective and subject to numerous risks, it should not be relied on as necessarily indicative of future results. Except as required by applicable securities laws, Whitecap undertakes no obligation to update such FOFI. FOFI contained in this press release was made as of the date of this press release and was provided for the purpose of providing further information about Whitecap's anticipated future business operations. Readers are cautioned that the FOFI contained in this press release should not be used for purposes other than for which it is disclosed herein.

OIL AND GAS ADVISORIES

Barrel of Oil Equivalency

"Boe" means barrel of oil equivalent. All boe conversions in this press release are derived by converting gas to oil at the ratio of six thousand cubic feet ("Mcf") of natural gas to one barrel ("Bbl") of oil. Boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A Boe conversion rate of 1 Bbl : 6 Mcf is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead. Given that the value ratio of oil compared to natural gas based on currently prevailing prices is significantly different than the energy equivalency ratio of 1 Bbl : 6 Mcf, utilizing a conversion ratio of 1 Bbl : 6 Mcf may be misleading as an indication of value.

SPECIFIED FINANCIAL MEASURES

This press release includes various specified financial measures as further described herein. These financial measures are not standardized financial measures under International Financial Reporting Standards

("IFRS" or, alternatively, "GAAP") and, therefore, may not be comparable with the calculation of similar financial measures disclosed by other companies.

"Net Debt" is a capital management measure that management considers to be key to assessing the Company's liquidity. Whitecap's net debt as at September 30, 2024 was approximately \$1.4 billion. See Note 5(e)(i) "Capital Management - Net Debt and Total Capitalization" in the Company's unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 for additional disclosures. See also Note (2) under "Summary of Quarterly Results" in the Company's management's discussion and analysis for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2024 available on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca for additional disclosures, including a reconciliation of long-term debt to net debt, which Note is incorporated by reference herein.

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