

# Tasman Receives Bulk Surface Sample Permit for the Norra Karr Heavy Rare Earth Element Project, Sweden

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Jul 25, 2013) - **Tasman Metals Ltd. ("Tasman" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:TSM)(NYSE MKT:TAS)(FRANKFURT:T61)**. Mark Saxon, President & CEO, is pleased to announce granting of a permit to extract a large surface sample for expanded metallurgical testing from the Company's Norra Karr project in Sweden. The permit allows for the extraction of 200 cubic metres of rock (approximately 500 tonnes) from selected locations that represent the Norra Karr deposit. The permit was granted by Länsstyrelsen Östergötland (County Administration Board of Östergötland), the Swedish government agency that manages land use in the region of Norra Karr.

"Gaining permission to remove a bulk sample at Norra Karr is an important next step in our development of the project," said Mark Saxon, Tasman's President and CEO. "Until now, all samples used in processing have been extracted from drill core, and this bulk sample is a much lower cost option for our expanded metallurgical testing. As Norra Karr mineralization is very homogeneous and the rock is unweathered at surface, we are able to represent the deposit well with this large surface sample."

Tasman's 100% owned Norra Karr project has an indicated and inferred resource estimate calculated in accordance with the standards of the Canadian Institute of Mines ("CIM") as provided in table 1 below. The deposit is approximately 300m wide by 800m long at surface, and covered by an average of less than 1m of soil, making collection of the sample very simple. It is located in southern Sweden, 300km SW of the capital Stockholm and lies in mixed farming and forestry land. The site is well serviced by power, roads and water allowing all year round access, plus a local skilled community, minimizing the need for offsite infrastructure to be built by the Company.

A 25 year Mining Lease for Norra Karr was recently granted to Tasman. The Mining Lease remains subject to an appeal by certain stakeholders. The Company has completed substantial metallurgical testing and a Preliminary Economic Assessment, the technical and financial data for which can be found on the Company website in a National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") report titled "Amended and Restated Preliminary Economic Assessment N1 43-101 Technical Report for the Norra Kärr (REE-Y-Zr) Deposit Gränna, Sweden" dated 9<sup>th</sup> July 2013.

The qualified person for the Company's exploration projects, Mark Saxon, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tasman and a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, has reviewed and verified the contents of this release.

Table 1: In-Pit Resource Estimate for the Norra Karr Deposit at 0.17% TREO Cut Off Grade

	Million Tonnes	TREO %	HREO %	LREO %	HREO/ TREO %	ZrO2 %	Tonnes of Contained TREO
Indicated	41.6	0.57	0.29	0.28	50.8 %	1.71	237,120
Inferred	16.5	0.64	0.31	0.33	48.4%	1.70	94,050

Notes:

- This resource estimate was prepared in accordance with the standards of CIM by RungePincockMinarco Ltd. Further resource assumption detail can be found on Sedar in a National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") report titled "Amended and Restated Preliminary Economic Assessment NI 43-101 Thechnical Report for the Norra Karr Deposit Gränna, Sweden" dated 9th July 2013.
- Total Rare Earth Oxides (TREO) includes: La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Ce<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Pr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Nd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Sm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Tb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Ho<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Er<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Tm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Yb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Lu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- Heavy Rare Earth Oxides (HREO) includes: Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Tb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Ho<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Er<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Tm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Yb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Lu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- The calculated resource is sensitive to cut-off grade which will be influenced by metallurgical operating costs. Bench scale metallurgical tests were completed on various representative samples of Norra Karr mineralization.

- 5 RungePincocKMinarco Ltd calculated this mineral resource estimate based on geological and geochemical data supplied by Tasman, which had been audited by Mr Geoffrey Reed. Mr Reed is an independent qualified person for the purposes of NI 43-101.
- 6 The resource estimate has been classified as an Indicated and Inferred Resource based on the distance-space between sample data within the current deposit outline. Variograms were obtained from the variography study of TREO, with the continuity analysis showing a reasonable fit model in the major and semi major direction for the mineralised domains.
- 7 Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Mineral resource estimates do not account for mineability, selectivity, mining loss and dilution. Inferred mineral resources are considered too speculative geologically to have the economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as Mineral Reserves.

### About Tasman Metals Ltd.

[Tasman Metals Ltd.](#) is a Canadian mineral exploration and development company focused on Rare Earth Elements (REE's) in the European region and is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "TSM" and the NYSE-MKT under the symbol "TAS". REE demand is increasing, due to the metals' unique properties that make them essential for high technology and environmentally-beneficial applications. Since over 95% of REE supply is sourced from China, the European Union is actively supporting policy to promote domestic supply of REE's, to ensure the security of high-tech industry. Tasman's exploration portfolio is uniquely placed, with the capacity to deliver "high-tech" metals from politically stable, mining friendly jurisdictions with developed infrastructure.

The Company's Norra Karr project in Sweden is one of the most significant heavy REE resources in the world. The resource is unusually low in radioactive metals relative to peer projects, with less than 15 ppm each of uranium and thorium.

For more information regarding rare earth elements, see the Rare Metal Blog at <http://proedgewire.com/rare-earth/>.

On behalf of the Board,

Mark Saxon, President & CEO

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