

MONTREAL, QUEBEC--(Marketwired - Dec 22, 2015) - [Quest Rare Minerals Ltd.](#) (TSX:QRM) (Quest) has announced the appointment of Dr. Dirk Naumann as President of the Company.

Dr. Naumann has been instrumental in the development of the Quest project to its current stage. He joined the Company in May 2013 as Vice-President Development and was promoted to Executive Vice-President in January 2014. In his new position, he will continue to drive project development activities, notably through close collaboration with premier industrial organizations in Asia and Europe.

Speaking on behalf of the Board of Directors, Executive Chairman Pierre Lortie commented, "Dirk's appointment comes at a pivotal time for Quest. He played a critical role in the development of the eco-friendly selective thermal sulphation (STS) process which is specifically designed to extract from granite the rare earth elements contained in the Strange Lake deposit and produce a mixed rare earth oxide with a purity in excess of 99.7% at world competitive costs." The STS process has been successfully tested; Quest is now proceeding with a commercial pilot for which it has been recently awarded a \$5 million grant from Sustainable Development Technology Canada (SDTC).

This appointment is a clear recognition by the Board that the key to the successful completion of a rare earth project does not reside in the mining operations but in the refining of the ore to separate the rare earth elements from the gangue that holds it. Given Dr. Naumann's extensive experience with international chemical and metallurgical companies in metal extraction and refining, high purity metals, and materials and compounds for specialty applications, he "is perfect for the job".

See Dr. Naumann's biography [here](#).

## ABOUT QUEST

[Quest Rare Minerals Ltd.](#) ("Quest") is a Canadian-based company focused on becoming an integrated producer of rare earth metal oxides and a significant participant in the rare earth elements (REE) material supply chain. Quest is led by a management team with in-depth experience in chemical and metallurgical processing. Quest's objective is the establishment of major hydrometallurgical and refining facilities in Bécancour, Québec, to separate and produce strategically critical rare earth metal oxides. These industrial facilities will process mineral concentrates extracted from Quest's Strange Lake mining properties in northern Québec and recycle lamp phosphors utilizing Quest's efficient, eco-friendly selective thermal sulphating process.

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