

Marathon Gold Announces Appointment of Paolo Toscano as Vice President, Projects

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TORONTO, Aug. 04, 2020 - [Marathon Gold Corp.](#) (TSX: MOZ) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Paolo Toscano as Vice President, Projects, effective September 1, 2020.

Mr. Toscano is a professional engineer with over 25 years of experience in project management, process engineering, and mine design and operations. Since March 2016, Mr. Toscano has been employed by Alamos Gold Inc. as Director of Projects. In this capacity he has had overall responsibility for the development of the Lynn Lake Gold Project in Manitoba, in addition to providing project-level management and engineering support to the Island Gold Mine and the Young-Davidson Gold Mine, both in Ontario. Between 2014 and 2016 Mr. Toscano was employed by Ausenco Engineering as Director, Technical Solutions responsible for management of the Toronto-based Ausenco engineering team and office. Between 2012 and 2014 he served as Director, Engineering for [Rainy River Resources Ltd.](#) and then subsequently New Gold Inc., with responsibility for plant site and process engineering at the Rainy River Gold Project in Fort Frances, Ontario. Between 2005 and 2012, Mr. Toscano was employed by SNC Lavalin Inc. in Toronto, as Director, Process, during which time he was involved in multiple Canadian and International mining projects across a range of commodities.

Mr. Toscano holds a Master of Applied Science (Material Sciences) from the University of Toronto (2001) and a Bachelor of Engineering (Metallurgy) from McGill University (1995). He is a registered Professional Engineer in Ontario.

Matt Manson, President and CEO, commented: "We are very happy to welcome Paolo Toscano to our project development team at Marathon. As VP Projects, Paolo will be responsible for completion of the upcoming Feasibility Study at the Valentine Gold Project in central Newfoundland, and leading the execution team that will develop the project through to production. Paolo will work under the overall direction of our recently appointed COO, Tim Williams, and brings to Marathon a broad range of project management and process engineering experiences in comparable Canadian gold mining projects, complimenting Tim's expertise in large scale open pit mining operations and geotechnical engineering. Tim and Paolo's appointments represent Marathon's commitment to proceed expeditiously with the development of the Valentine Gold Project through Environmental Assessment, Feasibility Study and project financing, with a view to a potential construction decision by late 2021."

About Marathon

Marathon (TSX:MOZ) is a Toronto based gold company advancing its 100%-owned Valentine Gold Project located in the central region of Newfoundland and Labrador, one of the top mining jurisdictions in the world. The Project comprises a series of four mineralized deposits along a 20-kilometre system. An April 2020 Pre-Feasibility Study outlined an open pit mining and conventional milling operation over a twelve-year mine life with a 36% after-tax rate of return. The Project has estimated Proven Mineral Reserves of 1.3 Moz (26.3 Mt at 1.52 g/t) and Probable Mineral Reserves of 0.6 Moz (14.8 Mt at 1.23 g/t). Total Measured Mineral Resources (inclusive of the Mineral Reserves) comprise 1.9 Moz (31.7 Mt at 1.86 g/t) with Indicated Mineral Resources (inclusive of the Mineral Reserves) of 1.19 Moz (23.2 Mt at 1.60 g/t). Additional Inferred Mineral Resources are 0.96 Moz (16.77 Mt at 1.78 g/t Au). Please see the Technical Report dated April 21, 2020 for further details and assumptions relating to the Valentine Gold Project.

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Certain information contained in this news release, constitutes forward-looking information within the meaning of Canadian securities laws (forward-looking statements). All statements in this news release, other than statements of historical fact, which address events, results, outcomes or developments that Marathon expects to occur are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or include words such as expects, anticipates, plans, believes, estimates, considers, intends, targets, or negative versions thereof and other similar expressions, or future or conditional verbs such as may, will, should, would, and could. We provide forward-looking statements for the purpose of conveying information about our current expectations and plans relating to the future, and readers are cautioned that such statements may not be appropriate for other purposes. More particularly and without restriction, this news release contains forward-looking statements and information about Marathon's intention to complete the Offering and the timing thereof, economic analyses for the Valentine Gold Project, capital and operating costs, processing and recovery estimates and strategies, future exploration and mine plans, objectives and expectations and corporate planning of Marathon, future feasibility studies and environmental impact statements and the timetable for completion and content thereof and statements as to management's expectations with respect to, among other things, the matters and activities contemplated in this news release.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions and accordingly, actual results and future events could differ materially from those expressed or implied in such statements. You are hence cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. A mineral resource that is classified as inferred or indicated has a great amount of uncertainty as to its existence and economic and legal feasibility. It cannot be assumed that any or part of an indicated mineral resource or inferred mineral resource will ever be upgraded to a higher category of mineral resource. Investors are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of mineral deposits in these categories will ever be converted into proven and probable mineral reserves.

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You can find further information with respect to these and other risks in Marathon's Amended and Restated Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2019 and other filings made with

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