

# First Helium Commences Drilling "14-23" Helium Target

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CALGARY, July 18, 2022 - [First Helium Inc.](#) ("First Helium" or the "Company") (TSXV: HELI) (OTCQB: FHELF) (FRA: 2MC), today announced the commencement of drilling its third exploration well, the "14-23" target, which is located on First Helium's 100% owned, 79,000 acre Worsley landholdings in Northern Alberta, Canada. Targeting multiple helium-bearing formations, successful drilling of the 14-23 well will potentially add incremental contingent resource<sup>1</sup> volumes to those of the successful 15-25 helium discovery well, which has been independently evaluated.

"Drilling the 14-23 helium target provides us the opportunity to build on the identified helium contingent resource at 15-25," said Ed Bereznicki, President & CEO of First Helium. "We are currently in the process of securing helium gas off-take sales arrangements to help support the financing, fabrication, installation and commissioning of a single well helium gas processing facility for 15-25, planned to commence later this year", added Mr. Bereznicki.

As with the Company's 15-25 helium discovery well, which includes associated volumes of natural gas and natural gas liquids, First Helium intends to produce and market any potential associated surplus hydrocarbon volumes included in future discovery wells to capitalize on the current strong outlook for natural gas and liquids pricing, and maximize cash flow in support of further growth. First Helium's 79,000 acres along the Worsley Trend is highly prospective for both helium and natural gas. Historical exploration and development drilling on the trend has encountered rich helium concentrations ranging from 0.5% to 1.9% in a number of formations

The Company's last press release dated July 11, 2022, incorrectly stated that the 15-25 well was most recently tested in "December 2022". It was most recently tested in November 2021 to further confirm helium content and verify raw gas composition for processing facility design considerations.

Note:

- (1) "Contingent resources" are not, and should not be confused with, oil and gas reserves. Further information regarding Contingent Resources can be found in First Helium's Final Prospectus, dated June 28, 2021, filed on First Helium's SEDAR profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## ABOUT FIRST HELIUM

Led by a core Senior Executive Team with diverse and extensive backgrounds in Oil & Gas Exploration and Operations, Mining, Finance, and Capital Markets, First Helium seeks to be one of the leading independent providers of helium gas in North America.

Building on its successful 15-25 helium discovery well at the Worsley project, the Company has identified numerous follow-up drill locations and acquired an expansive infrastructure system to facilitate future exploration and development of helium across its Worsley land base. Cash flow from its successful oil wells at Worsley will help support First Helium's ongoing helium exploration and development growth strategy.

First Helium holds over 79,000 acres along the highly prospective Worsley Trend in Northern Alberta, and 276,000 acres in the Southern Alberta Helium Fairway, near existing helium production. In addition to continuing its ongoing exploration and development drilling at Worsley, the Company has identified a number of high impact helium exploration targets on the prospective Southern Alberta Helium Fairway lands to set up a second core exploration growth area for the Company.

For more information about the Company, please visit [www.firsthelium.com](http://www.firsthelium.com).

## ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Edward J. Bereznicki  
President, CEO and Director

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Forward-looking statements are based on estimates and opinions of management at the date the statements are made and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including those set out in the Final Prospectus dated June 28, 2021 and filed under the Company's profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). Readers are cautioned that actual results may vary materially from the forward-looking statements made in this news release. Risks that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, risks associated with the oil and gas industry; the ability of First Helium to fund the capital and operating expenses necessary to achieve its business objectives; the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the business and operations of First Helium; the state of financial markets; increased costs and physical risks relating to climate change; loss of key employees and those risks described in the Final Prospectus dated June 28, 2021. First Helium does not undertake any obligation to update forward looking statements, except as required by applicable securities laws. Investors should not place undue reliance on forward looking statements. Email: [ir@firsthelium.com](mailto:ir@firsthelium.com), Phone: 1-833-HELIUM1 (1-833-435-4861)

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