

Dark Star Announces Appointment of James Sykes and Non-Brokered Private Placement

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Vancouver, September 9, 2025 - [Dark Star Minerals Inc.](#) (CSE: BATT) (FSE: P0W) (the "Company" or "Dark Star") is pleased to announce the appointment of James Sykes to its technical advisory team. Mr. Sykes brings over 20 years of uranium and rare earth exploration and discovery experience in Saskatchewan, Canada, with a track record that includes NexGen Energy's "Arrow", Hathor Exploration's "Roughrider", Denison Mines' "Gryphon", and Baselode Energy's "ACKIO" uranium deposit discoveries.

Mr. Sykes is currently the CEO of Metal Energy Corp. and serves as a Director for [American Eagle Gold Corp.](#), Baselode Energy Corp., [Kintavar Exploration Inc.](#), and UraEx Resources Inc.

Marc Branson, President and CEO of Dark Star, commented: "We are thrilled to welcome James to the team. His deep expertise and proven track record in uranium exploration will be invaluable as we continue to build shareholder value through strategic project development."

In connection with his appointment, Mr. Sykes will be granted 500,000 options to purchase common shares of the Company each exercisable at \$0.05 per share for a period of two years.

Private Placement

Additionally, Dark Star is pleased to announce a non-brokered private placement of up to 5,000,000 units (each, a "Unit") at a price of \$0.05 per Unit for gross proceeds of up to \$250,000 (the "Offering"). Each Unit will consist of one common share (each, a "Share") in the capital of the Company and one-half-of-one share purchase warrant (each whole warrant, a "Warrant"). Each Warrant will entitle the holder thereof to acquire one additional Share at a price of \$0.075 for a period of two years from the date of issuance.

Proceeds from the Offering will be used to advance exploration activities on the Company's critical mineral projects and for general working capital purposes.

All securities issued in connection with the Offering will be subject to a statutory hold period expiring four months and one day after closing of the Offering. Any participation by insiders in the Offering will constitute a related party transaction under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions ("MI 61-101") but is expected to be exempt from the formal valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements of MI 61-101.

None of the securities sold in connection with the Offering will be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and no such securities may be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.

About Dark Star Minerals Inc.

Dark Star Minerals Inc. is a mineral exploration company focused on the acquisition and development of critical mineral resources, specifically the rare earth complex. Dark Star has an option to acquire a 100% interest in the Ghost Lake claims located in the prolific CMB of Labrador, which consists of 28,575 ha of contiguous claim blocks, and has signed a definitive agreement to acquire a 100% interest in the Bleasdel Project consisting of over 515 ha in Northern Saskatchewan, Canada. Dark Star is also party to a definitive agreement to acquire 100% of [Critical One Energy Inc.](#)'s interest in the Cobra North and Khan West uranium

projects located in Namibia's renowned Erongo uranium province.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

"Marc Branson"

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