Alba conditional agreement to acquire majority interest in Amitsoq

Alba Mineral Resources plc, the UK-based exploration company, is pleased to announce that it has now earned the right to a 49 per cent interest in the Amitsoq graphite project in Southern Greenland (the “Project”) pursuant to its existing farm-in agreement in relation to the Project, details of which were announced on 6 October 2015.

This follows the extensive exploration programme undertaken this year encompassing a bulk sampling programme and airborne electromagnetic survey.

Alba has further agreed, subject to regulatory approvals from the Greenlandic authorities, to acquire a further 41 per cent interest in the Project from Artemis Graphite Pty Limited, a subsidiary of Artemis Resources Limited (together “Artemis”) on the following principal terms set out in a share sale and purchase agreement:

(a) Total consideration payable of £150,000, of which a £60,000 deposit shall be payable (£40,000 in cash and £20,000 in Alba shares at a 20 trading day volume weighted average price (“VWAP”)).

(b) Completion of the acquisition is conditional on the obtaining of Greenlandic Governmental approvals to the transfer of the interest and Alba consequently holding a total 90 per cent interest in the Project by the transfer of shares in the licence holder, Obsidian Mining Limited.

(c) On Completion Alba will pay the remaining £90,000 of the consideration, in cash or Alba shares (at a 20 trading day VWAP) at Alba’s election but with a minimum of 50 per cent in cash unless otherwise agreed.

(d) As from Completion, Alba will also take over Artemis’s rights and obligations in respect of the existing put and call option over the 10 per cent free carried interest held by a minority shareholder in the Project.

(e) Pending Completion, Alba shall continue to act as the operator and manager of the Project.

(f) The current farm-in agreement is terminated and superseded by the share sale and purchase agreement.
(g) If for any reason the necessary Greenlandic regulatory approvals are not forthcoming, Alba shall be entitled to be repaid £50,000 of the initial deposit paid, in cash or Artemis shares at the latter’s election.

**Admission of new ordinary shares to AIM**

In accordance with the above terms, 6,493,507 fully paid ordinary shares in Alba (being £20,000 in Alba shares calculated at a 20 trading day volume-weighted average price) will today be issued to Artemis. Application will be made for the new ordinary shares to be admitted to trading on AIM (“Admission”). It is expected that Admission will become effective at 8.00 a.m. on 4 November 2016. The new ordinary shares will be issued credited as fully paid and will rank in full for all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid after Admission and will otherwise rank on Admission *pari passu* in all respects with the existing ordinary shares.

**Total Voting Rights**

Following Admission, the total number of ordinary shares in issue will be 1,817,071,600. The Company does not hold any ordinary shares in treasury. Therefore, the total number of ordinary shares with voting rights will be 1,817,071,600. This figure may be used by shareholders in the Company as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the share capital of the Company under the Financial Conduct Authority’s Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

George Frangeskides, Alba Chairman, is also a director of Artemis Resources Limited.

This announcement contains inside information for the purposes of Article 7 of EU Regulation 596/2014.

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About Alba

Alba holds a 15 per cent interest in Horse Hill Developments Limited, the company which has a 65 per cent participating interest and operatorship of the Horse Hill oil and gas project (licences PEDL 137 and PEDL 246) in the UK Weald Basin. Alba is also earning a 5% interest in Production Licence 235, which comprises the producing onshore Brockham Oil Field.

Alba has earned the right to a 49 per cent interest in the Amitsoq Graphite Project in Southern Greenland and has agreed to acquire a further 41 per cent interest in the Project, subject to Greenlandic regulatory approvals, as set out in the above announcement.

In addition, the Company has recently renewed its Limerick base metal licence in the Republic of Ireland, and has applied for the reissue of a uranium permit in northern Mauritania. The new Mauritanian permit will be on a reduced area, and is centred on known uranium-bearing showings.

Alba continues actively to review and discuss numerous other project opportunities which have value-enhancing potential for the Company whether by acquisition, farm in or joint venture in a range of jurisdictions around the world.