

## BCI MINERALS PROGRESSES GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

BCI Minerals Limited (ASX:BCI) (BCI or the Company) is pleased to announce that it has submitted its responses to the queries issued by the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) in relation to the Mardie project's Groundwater Monitoring and Management Plan (GMMP).

Approval of the GMMP is a secondary delegated approval for the Mardie project, which received its primary Ministerial approval on 9 September 2024. DCCEEW has confirmed that the GMMP can be approved by the Minister's delegate during the impending caretaker period, if it has not been approved prior to an election being called. Once granted, the GMMP approval will permit the Company to fill the remainder of its ponds, 4 through 9, and commence full-scale operations.

Since commencing salt operations on 10 September 2024, BCI has collected real-time data through its extensive network of groundwater monitoring bores. This data has been used to refine and confirm the monitoring and modelling methodologies at the core of the GMMP.

The updated GMMP was submitted to both the Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) and DCCEEW on 15 January 2025. DWER granted its approval on 28 February 2025<sup>1</sup>.

On 24 March 2025, DCCEEW confirmed receipt of BCI's responses to its queries and the Company looks forward to DCCEEW's timely feedback on this version of the GMMP.

The Company considers that our comprehensive responses to DCCEEW's queries satisfy the regulatory requirements to enable Commonwealth approval of the GMMP. Subject to the timing of approval, BCI's first salt on ship target date remains late 2026.

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This ASX announcement has been authorised for release by the Chairman of BCI Minerals Limited.

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<sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement dated 28/02/2025 "BCI Minerals receives WA Government approval for Groundwater Monitoring and Management Plan"