

# **NORTHERN STAR APPOINTS HIGHLY EXPERIENCED MINING EXECUTIVE AS CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER**

Northern Star Resources Limited (ASX: NST) is pleased to advise that it has taken another key step forward in its growth strategy with the appointment of highly experienced mining executive Stuart Tonkin as Chief Operating Officer.

Mr Tonkin is a mining engineer with more than 19 years' experience working for both contractors and mining companies.

Most recently he was COO for mining contractor Barmenco. He has also held senior positions with Oxiana and Newmont.

Mr Tonkin has a Bachelor of Engineering (Mining) with Honours from the Western Australian School of Mines and a WA First Class Mine Manager's Certificate.

Northern Star Managing Director Bill Beament said Mr Tonkin's extensive experience as a mining contractor would ensure that the Company retained its strong focus on efficiency and productivity.

His appointment would also enhance Northern Star's ability to deliver on growth opportunities that are emerging in the wake of the lower gold price without jeopardising the performance of its flagship Paulsens operation.

"Northern Star has had a heavy emphasis on costs and productivity since the day it acquired the Paulsens Gold Mine," Mr Beament said. "But at the same time as reducing our costs, we have grown production, resources and mine life."

"Stuart's experience and approach means we will maintain this formula, which is the key to maximising Shareholder returns."

Northern Star revealed recently that it had enjoyed a record 12 months on both the production and financial fronts, leaving the Company ideally placed to continue generating strong growth and robust Shareholder returns.

The outstanding results included record production of 88,614oz for the year to 30 June 2013, an increase of 32% on the previous corresponding period.

The Company expects to post a record unaudited after-tax profit of +\$27 million when it announces its full-year financial results in August. This compares with \$22 million in the previous year.

Yours faithfully



**BILL BEAMENT**  
**Managing Director**  
**Northern Star Resources Limited**

## **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT 30 JULY 2013**

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Exchange** Code: NST

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Mr Chris Rowe  
*Non-Executive Chairman*

Mr Bill Beament  
*Managing Director*

Mr Michael Fotios  
*Non-Executive Director*

Mr Peter O'Connor  
*Non-Executive Director*

Mr John Fitzgerald  
*Non-Executive Director*

Ms Liza Carpene  
*Company Secretary*

**Issued Capital**  
Shares 424M  
Options 5M  
Current Share Price \$0.855  
Market Capitalisation  
\$363 million  
Cash/Bullion and Investments  
30 June 2013 - \$61 million

## **Forward Looking Statements**

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