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To: The Stakeholders of Northern Star Resources Limited

Introduction and Objectives of Work

Bureau Veritas Australia Pty Ltd ("Bureau Veritas") was engaged by Northern Star Resources Limited ("Northern Star") to undertake a limited assurance engagement on selected information and data presented in the FY23 Northern Star Sustainability Report ("the Report"). This Assurance Statement applies to the related information included within the scope of assurance described below.

Scope of Limited Assurance

The scope of assurance was limited to the information and data related to Northern Star's operating assets: Kalgoorlie Production Centre, Yandal Production Centre, Pogo Production Centre, Perth Corporate Office and Exploration for the period of 1st July 2022 to 30th June 2023.

The complete list of assured disclosures is referred to within the GRI Index of the Report.

Our assurance engagement does not extend to any other information included in the Report or information in respect of earlier periods.

Limited Assurance Conclusion

On the basis of our procedures as described under "Methodology" and the evidence we have obtained, we provide limited assurance that nothing has come to our attention:

- To indicate that the statements reviewed within the scope of our assurance engagement are inaccurate and the information included therein is not fairly stated.
- That causes us to believe that the information, within the scope of our assurance engagement, is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the criteria indicated under "Understanding how Northern Star has Prepared the Information".

It is our opinion that Northern Star has established systems for the collection, aggregation and analysis of relevant information and quantitative data.

Understanding how Northern Star has prepared the Information

The Report was prepared in accordance with the GRI Standards including appropriate considerations of the reporting principles and additional requirements as listed in GRI 1: Foundation 2021.

Northern Star's Responsibilities

Management of Northern Star was responsible for:

- Selecting and establishing suitable criteria for preparing the Report and information subject to our limited assurance;
- Preparing the information in accordance with the criteria; and
- Designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls over information relevant to the preparation of the Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our Responsibilities

Bureau Veritas was responsible for:

- Planning and performing the engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the information included within the scope of assurance is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
- Forming an independent conclusion, based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained; and
- Reporting our conclusion to the Directors of Northern Star.

Bureau Veritas was not involved in the drafting of the Report and our independence has not been compromised.

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Methodology

Our limited assurance engagement was performed in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised) *Assurance Engagements other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information* issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and informed by Bureau Veritas' standard procedures and guidelines for external verification of Sustainability Report.

Our work was planned and executed in a manner designed to produce a limited level of assurance and to provide a sound basis for our conclusions. We undertook the following activities:

- Review of the suitability of the criteria used as the basis for preparing the information subject to assurance;
- Interviews and follow-up communication with relevant individuals;
- Review of documentary evidence produced by Northern Star representatives;
- Audit of performance data and factual information including source verification; and
- Review of Northern Star's processes for identification, aggregation and analysis of relevant information, report content and performance data.

Limitations and Exclusions

Excluded from the scope of our work is any assurance of information relating to:

- Activities outside the defined reporting period;
- Statements of commitment to, or intention to undertake future actions by Northern Star;
- Statements of position, opinion, belief and/or aspiration by Northern Star;
- Financial data audited by an external third party; and
- Other sites and/or activities not included in the scope.

This independent assurance statement should not be relied upon to detect all errors, omissions or misstatements that may exist within the Report.

Statement of Independence, Impartiality and Competence

Bureau Veritas is a global leader in Testing, Inspection and Certification ("TIC") services. The Group's mission is to reduce its clients' risks, improve their performance and help them innovate to meet the challenges of quality, health, safety, hygiene, environmental protection and social responsibility. Leveraging its renowned expertise, as well as its impartiality, integrity and independence, Bureau Veritas has helped build trust between companies, public authorities and consumers for more than 195 years.

Bureau Veritas has implemented a Code of Ethics across the business to maintain high ethical standards among its personnel in their day to day business activities. We are particularly vigilant in the prevention of conflicts of interest.

No member of the assurance team has a business relationship with Northern Star, its Directors or Managers beyond that required of this assignment. We have conducted this assurance engagement independently and there has been no conflict of interest.

The assurance team was selected based on its extensive Industry Sector knowledge and experience in conducting independent verification, validation and assurance of Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) information and associated systems and processes.

Jeremy Leu

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22nd August 2023

Bureau Veritas Australia Pty Ltd

