



CIRCUM MINERALS COMPLETES A NEW DFS – AUG 2018

Following the completion of a new Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) for its Danakil Project in Ethiopia, Circum Minerals Ltd. (“Circum”) continues to review strategic alternatives for the project, focusing on the potential introduction of a third-party strategic investor to partner with Circum in developing a potash mine in Ethiopia.

Circum has the mining rights to an extensive mineral deposit in north-eastern Ethiopia, which it will develop into a world class mine, producing both SOP and MOP potash products which are used for making fertilizer. Circum has re-conceptualised the mine development plan with the objective of significantly reducing the initial upfront capital investment, resulting in a build-up to full capacity in four phases.

“We have reduced the initial capital investment required from US\$2.3 billion to approximately US\$1.1 billion, which makes the project far easier to finance in the current market,” said Brad Mills, CEO of Circum. “Importantly, once the first phase has been developed, the rest of the phases are essentially self-funding.”

Circum recently completed a new DFS on the first phase of the modularized process, which will produce 750 mtpa SOP. According to the DFS, prepared by independent consultants Senet (Pty) Limited of South Africa, production can start as early as 2021 if mine development begins in 2019. Circum will use low-cost, low-risk solution mining combined with environmentally friendly solar evaporation to produce the raw salts, which will then be refined at site to minimize transport costs. The Project’s substantial resources will allow for multiple decades of expanding production.

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