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**ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**  
ASX: APC

# AUSTRALIAN POTASH LIMITED

## APPOINTMENT OF PROJECT DIRECTOR

### Highlights

- **Mr Rhett Brans** appointed as Project Director on the Lake Wells Sulphate of Potash project
- Mr Brans' experience spans four decades across several continents, and includes engineering & design management, construction and commissioning on over forty (40) mineral processing facilities
- **With the Company well-funded following the recent successful rights issue** this is a timely appointment of a dedicated executive skillset over-seeing construction contract negotiation, team development and project execution

Australian Potash Limited (ASX: APC) (**APC** or the **Company**) is pleased to confirm the appointment of Mr Rhett Brans to the role of Project Director on the Lake Wells Sulphate of Potash project (**LSOP**). Mr Brans has been a Non-executive Director of the Company since May 2017 and is intricately familiar with the LSOP. Mr Brans will work closely with continuing Project Manager Stewart McCallion, building on the methodical and comprehensive project work done to date.

**Managing Director and CEO, Matt Shackleton, commented:** *“Our project team has done an outstanding job to complete the LSOP definitive feasibility study and progress to this point of the FEED program. The recent support of our shareholders now allows us to supply more horsepower to the team as we close out the FEED program and begin pre-construction activities. Rhett comes into the team with a wealth of experience from both the owner’s and contractor’s side of the fence.*

*“Rhett will assume principal responsibility for contracting strategy, schedule maintenance and capital works. With the development of the WA Sulphate of Potash sector in its infancy, we are focussed on mitigating risks associated with project implementation, which underpins APC’s capacity to execute its project funding plan and deliver long term value to shareholders.*

*“Rhett’s long, varied and successful experience across different continents, different commodities and different mineral processing developments will give our team invaluable in-field insight through early works leading into the development proper.”*

This announcement is authorised for release by APC’s Managing Director & CEO.

## About Australian Potash Limited



K-Brite is a registered trademark brand of Australian Potash Limited (ASX: APC), representing the premium Sulphate of Potash (SOP) to be produced from the Company's flagship Lake Wells Project.

APC holds a 100% interest in the Lake Wells Sulphate of Potash Project (LSOP) located approximately 500kms northeast of Kalgoorlie, in Western Australia's Eastern Goldfields.

Following the release of the Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) in August 2019<sup>i</sup>, APC is focused on the Front-end Engineering Design (FEED) Study, finalising offtake discussions and securing financing to develop the LSOP.

The DFS was underpinned by extensive and rigorous testwork, data, and modelling. The DFS confirmed that the LSOP will be a long life, low capital and high margin SOP producer.

### Key outcomes from the DFS include:

- 30-year mine life producing 150,000tpa of premium grade SOP utilising approximately 21% of the total Measured Resource estimate
- Long mine life underpinned by 3.6Mt reserve and **18.1Mt** Measured Resource estimate
- Pre-tax NPV8 of **A\$665m** and an IRR of 25%
- Development capex of A\$208M with sector leading capital intensity of A\$1,387/t
- First quartile industry opex of US\$262/t providing high cash operating margins

### Forward Looking Statements

This announcement contains forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties. These forward-looking statements are expressed in good faith and believed to have a reasonable basis. These statements reflect current expectations, intentions or strategies regarding the future and assumptions based on currently available information. Should one or more of the risks or uncertainties materialise, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary from the expectations, intentions and strategies described in this announcement. No obligation is assumed to update forward looking statements if these beliefs, opinions and estimates should change or to reflect other future developments.

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<sup>i</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement 28 August 2019 'Definitive Feasibility Study Outstanding Financial Outcomes'. That announcement contains the relevant statements, data and consents referred to in this announcement. Apart from that which is disclosed in this document, Australian Potash Limited, its directors, officers and agents: 1. Are not aware of any new information that materially affects the information contained in the 28 August 2019 announcement, and 2. State that the material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the 28 August 2019 announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.