

## **Chair Appointment**

Southern Gold Limited (ASX: SAU) (Southern Gold or the Company) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Michael McNeilly as Chair of the Board effective immediately. The appointment follows the resignation of Mr Peter Bamford as Chair. Mr Bamford will continue as a Non-Executive Director until the next AGM.

The appointment of Mr McNeilly as Chair of the SAU Board is an interim arrangement whilst the Company undertakes due process to identify a new Chair to lead the Company in its strategy to pursue opportunities presented by the global transition to clean energy, through its critical minerals exploration and its newly acquired batteries technology business.

Mr McNeilly has been a Non-Executive Director of Southern Gold since June 2020, and is the CEO and a Director of Southern Gold's largest shareholder Strata Investment Holdings Plc (ASX: SRT). Mr McNeilly has a deep understanding of the equity capital markets and has extensive experience in listed companies and is currently Non-Executive Director of ASX-listed Cobre Limited. He sits on several private company boards within the SRT group.

Mr Bamford has served on ASX listed and private company Boards for over 30 years and joined the SAU Board in 2018. Following the widening of SAU activity exploring for critical minerals and the acquisition of a battery development company Mr Bamford advised the Board of his intention to retire from the Board at the AGM later this year.

The Board thanked Mr Bamford for his dedicated service and stewardship over five years as a Non-Executive Director, and more recently as Chair of the Board.

Authorised for release by the Chair of Southern Gold Limited.

## **Further Information**

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## **Southern Gold Limited: Company Profile**

Southern Gold is a successful mineral exploration and battery technology commercialisation group listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (under ASX ticker "SAU"). The mineral exploration business includes 100% interest in a substantial portfolio of REE, Li and precious metals exploration projects in South Korea. Backed by a first-class technical team, Southern Gold's aim is to find world-class deposits in a jurisdiction that has seen very little modern exploration. The commercialisation business holds three exclusive world-wide licences comprising the next generation battery technologies comprising 1) an enhanced performance non-flammable lithium-ion based battery, 2) a low-cost, environmentally sustainable method for recycling lithium batteries, and 3) a low-cost, high cycle life water-based battery.