



ASX/Media Announcement

Perth: 24 August 2016

ASX: PLP

Platypus Minerals Appoints Non-Executive Director

- **Mr Mark Rodda, an experienced lawyer and mining executive, will join Platypus Minerals as a non-executive director effective immediately**
- **Mr Rodda has considerable experience in mergers & acquisitions, mineral exploration, joint ventures and strategic alliances, offtake and marketing arrangements, project financing transactions and corporate restructuring initiatives**

Platypus Minerals Ltd (**ASX:PLP**) (“Platypus” or “Company”) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Mark Rodda as a Non-Executive Director. Mr Rodda is a lawyer with extensive practical and commercial experience in the resources sector. He currently manages Napier Capital, an advisory business providing clients with specialist corporate services and assistance with transactional or strategic projects.

Before its 2007 takeover by Norilsk Nickel, Mark held the position of General Counsel and Corporate Secretary for LionOre Mining International, a company with nickel and gold operations in Australia and Africa and listings on the ASX, TSX and LSE. At LionOre, Mark was responsible for ensuring the company met its legal, corporate and good governance obligations and also played a key role in the management of all major transactions. These included LionOre’s merger with Dalrymple Resources and the takeover of MPI Mines in Australia, both for consideration in excess of A\$200 million, the agreed but uncompleted acquisition of the Nikkelverk Refinery from Falconbridge for US\$650 million, the divestment of LionOre’s greenfield exploration assets and the takeover of LionOre itself by Norilsk Nickel for US\$6.3 billion. During Mark’s time at LionOre, its market capitalisation grew from US\$100 million to in excess of US\$6 billion.

Mark was also previously the Chairman of Coalspur Mines Ltd until its acquisition by the Cline Group in June 2015. He is currently a Director of Antipa Minerals Ltd (ASX:AZY) and is a member of that company’s Audit and Nomination and Remuneration Committees.

Platypus Chairman Gary Johnson said, “As Platypus continues to grow and progress towards becoming a lithium producer, the Board and management team are being proactive in ensuring we have the right skills in our team. The L-Max® technology has allowed Platypus to undertake a number of commercial transactions already and Mark’s strong transactional background and extensive experience will be of great assistance to our existing arrangements and future endeavours.”

For further information, please contact:

Gary Johnson
Chairman
Platypus Minerals Ltd
+61 418 907 283

Tom Dukovcic
Managing Director
Platypus Minerals Ltd
+61 8 9363 7800

About Platypus Minerals Ltd

Platypus Minerals Ltd is an ASX-listed Company focused on exploration, development and production of lithium. Its current exploration assets include options over the Lemare and the Royal projects, both in Quebec, Canada where drilling activities are set to commence this quarter; ownership of the Euriowie project near Broken Hill in New South Wales; and joint venture agreements with ASX-listed Crusader Resources (ASX:CAS) in Brazil and Latin Resources (ASX:LRS) in Argentina and Peru to jointly evaluate lithium opportunities. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary Lepidico Ltd, Platypus also owns the technology to a metallurgical process that has successfully produced battery-grade lithium carbonate from non-conventional sources, specifically lithium-rich mica minerals including lepidolite and zinnwaldite. The L-Max[®] process has the potential to disrupt the lithium market by providing additional lithium supply from alternative sources.