

Appointment of new Non-executive Director

Key points

- Mr Jeremy Kirkwood has been appointed as a Non-executive Director of the Company
- Mr Kirkwood's appointment fills a Board vacancy created by Mr Dave Woodall's retirement
- The appointment strengthens the Board and aligns with Hawsons' future strategic direction

Hawsons Iron Ltd (Hawsons or the **Company**) is pleased to announce that Mr Jeremy Kirkwood has accepted an invitation to join the Board as a Non-Executive Director of the Company, effective on 10 May 2023.

Mr Kirkwood, who fills a vacancy created by the recent retirement of Mr Dave Woodall, is a former investment banker being principal of Pilot Advisory Group and a Managing Director with Credit Suisse, Morgan Stanley and Austock.

He is the Chair of ASX-listed Joyce Corporation Ltd (JYC), a Non-executive Director of ASX-listed Talisman Mining Ltd (TLM) and has served as a director on a range of other public, private and not-for-profit sector boards.

Hawsons Executive Chair Mr Bryan Granzien welcomed Mr Kirkwood, who has gained a wealth of corporate strategy and investment banking experience through mergers, acquisitions and capital raisings for companies, mainly in mining, energy and infrastructure.

"We are fortunate to have attracted such a high calibre and experienced director as Jeremy at this critical point in the Company's development, as work associated with our Strategic Review action plan nears completion," Mr Granzien said.

"His financial markets expertise and guidance will prove invaluable as we pursue our subsequent goal of commencing a modified 11 Million tonnes per annum Bankable Feasibility Study (BFS) for the Hawsons Iron Project in the September quarter." (See ASX announcement dated 1 February, 2023: Hawsons endorses 11 Mtpa BFS and Strategic Review action plan).

Mr Kirkwood thanked Hawsons for the invitation to join the Board at a pivotal point in the planned development of the Company's flagship high-grade magnetite project near Broken Hill in NSW.

"I'm looking forward to working with the rest of the Hawsons' Directors in the interests of shareholders and all stakeholders to bring this significant, world-class mining project into production," he said.

Mr Granzien said Mr Kirkwood's appointment materially progressed the Board's planned refresh of skill set and composition.

Mr Kirkwood attended Geelong Grammar and holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Australian National University.

Released by authority of the Board

Hawsons Iron Limited 10 May 2023

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About Hawsons Iron Ltd

Hawsons Iron Ltd (ASX: HIO) is an iron ore developer and producer listed on the Australian Securities Exchange. The company is focused on developing its flagship Hawsons Iron Project near Broken Hill into a premium provider of high-quality iron ore products for the global steel industry.

The Hawsons Iron Project is situated 60km southwest of Broken Hill, New South Wales, Australia in the emerging Braemar Iron Province. It is potentially capable of producing the world's highest-grade iron product (70% Fe), making it among the world's leading undeveloped high-quality iron ore concentrate and pellet feed projects. Leading research firm Wood Mackenzie in Q2 FY 2019 rated the project one of the world's best high-grade iron ore development projects, excluding replacement or expansion projects owned by the established miners.

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