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## **BLACKTHORN RESOURCES GRANTED RENEWAL OF FAFO EXPLORATION PERMIT IN BURKINA FASO, WEST AFRICA**

Blackthorn Resources Limited (ASX: BTR) ("the Company" ) is pleased to advise that the Company has been granted its second, three-year renewal of the Fafo exploration permit in Burkina Faso, West Africa.

The Fafo exploration permit covers an area of 247 sq km and is located approximately 200 km south west from Ouagadougou, the capital of Burkina Faso. The permit area is situated over the Boromo greenstone belt which is prospective for gold and base metal occurrences. The Boromo greenstone belt is host to the formerly operating Poura gold mine and the Company's Perkoa zinc project.

The Company has been undertaking exploration activities over the Fafo Permit in recent years and is continuing to review and follow-up on these activities. The permit area is located adjacent and between the Company's Bonzan and Naboue exploration permits. These three contiguous exploration permits form the 'southern' exploration suite of tenements which covers 539 sq km from a total 1,134 sq km held by the Company in Burkina Faso.

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