

**MARMOTA RAISES \$2.25M TO FUND EXPLORATION**

- Marmota raises \$2.25 million
- Placement completed under 15% issuing capacity to raise \$1.50 million
- Fully underwritten SPP to follow to raise a further \$0.75 million
- **Funding provides ability to commence aggressive exploration programs at the Durkin copper/nickel and Indooroopilly gold projects**

Marmota Energy Ltd (ASX:MEU, **Marmota** or **Company**) is pleased to announce that it has raised \$2.25 million via a Placement of up to 22.06 million fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.068 per share to sophisticated and professional investors for total proceeds of \$1.50 million (**Placement**) and a fully underwritten share purchase plan to raise \$0.75 million (**SPP**), also at \$0.068 per share.

The issue price of \$0.068 per share represents a 14% discount to the Company's 5-day Volume Weighted Average Price and a 3% discount to the Company's 30-day Volume Weighted Average Price immediately prior to entering the trading halt.

GMP Securities Australia Pty Ltd (**GMP**) acted as lead manager for the Placement and underwriter to the SPP. The Placement was completed under the Company's issuing capacity pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1.

**Use of Proceeds**

Proceeds from the Placement and SPP will ensure that Marmota is in a strong financial position to undertake Stage 1 Reverse Circulation (**RC**) drilling at the Durkin copper/nickel and Indooroopilly gold projects and provides the financial flexibility to rapidly progress to Stage 2 follow-up drilling. The drill rig has arrived at site with Stage 1 drilling set to commence in coming days. It is envisaged that Stage 2 drilling activity would involve diamond drilling and an extended RC drilling campaign.

Marmota Managing Director, Mr Dom Calandro commented that: "We are extremely pleased with the strong support for the Placement which ensures Marmota is funded for aggressive drilling programs at Durkin and Indooroopilly. With this funding in place the Company has the flexibility to accelerate the advancement of these prospective projects.

Marmota is pleased to offer existing shareholders the opportunity to participate in the SPP, which is offered at the same price as the Placement".

**Share Purchase Plan**

Marmota will make an offer to all shareholders with a registered address in Australia or New Zealand (**eligible shareholders**) to participate in a SPP to acquire up to \$15,000 of new fully paid ordinary shares in Marmota at \$0.068 per share, the same price as the Placement. The SPP will be capped at \$0.75 million.

The record date for the SPP is 27 March 2013, which is the business day preceding this announcement of the SPP offer (**Record Date**).

The Board has resolved that as Marmota has approximately 2,714 eligible shareholders, the SPP applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis with the shares allotted as soon as possible after the end of the SPP offer period.

The SPP is underwritten by GMP. GMP's obligation to underwrite the SPP is conditional on the satisfaction of certain terms and conditions that are customary for an agreement of this type.

It is anticipated that the SPP offer document will be despatched to eligible shareholders shortly and will provide further details on the key dates and application process for shareholders to participate.



**Mr Dom Calandro**  
**MANAGING DIRECTOR**  
**28 March 2013**