Lomiko Announces Further Results From the Infill and Extension Exploration Drill Program at Its La Loutre Graphite Property in Québec, Including 10.06% Cg over 40.5m in the EV Zone

written by Raj Shah | October 24, 2022 October 24, 2022 (Source) - Lomiko Metals Inc. (TSX.V:LMR) ("Lomiko Metals" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the fifth round of analytical results from the infill and extension exploration drill program at its wholly-owned La Loutre Graphite property, located approximately 180 kilometres northwest of Montréal in the Laurentian region of Québec.

Belinda Labatte, CEO and Director stated: "I am happy to see that the results from the last eleven holes drilled on EV zone in 2022 are in line with the results we announced in previous press releases. These results show significant mineralization over large intervals, including LL-22-044 with 7.60% Cg over 119.8m from 81.2 to 201m, consistent with previous results. The wide intervals encountered in 8 of the 11 holes further validate the continuity and the quality of the mineralization in the EV zone. We look forward to receiving the results from the 26 holes completed over the Battery Zone in August and September."

## **Highlights**

- Intersecting high-grade graphite values and significant widths
- 8 out of 9 (11 holes total) intersected significant mineralization with two holes abandoned and redrilled due to challenging environmental conditions
- -Up to 7.60% Cg over 119.8m from 81.2 to 201m in hole LL-22-044 including 10.06% Cg over 40.5m from 81.2m to 121.7m and 10.31% Cg over 19.5m from 166.7 to 186.2m
- Hole LL-22-045 encountered 5.83% Cg over 27m from 204.0 to 231.0m including 19.5 meters at 7.63% Cg from 211.5 to 231.0m at 7.63% Cg
- + Hole LL-22-050 encountered 5.07% Cg over 123.0 m from 13.0 to 136.0m including 14.5% Cg over 22.5m from 14.5 to 37.0m
- Holes LL-22-044, LL-22-045, LL-22-046, LL-22-049,
   LL-22-051 and LL-22-052 all bottomed in mineralization
- Graphite intervals in 8 of 9 holes remain open; additional assay results pending

The La Loutre graphite project site is located within the Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg (KZA) First Nations territory. The drilling was supervised by Québec-based, independent geological consultant Breakaway Exploration Management Inc. and was operated under ECOLOGO requirements and compliance protocols, as Lomiko is ECOLOGO certified. Please see the press release issued on March 22, 2022 for more details about Lomiko's ECOLOGO certification.

The drill program at La Loutre was initiated on May 15, 2022, with the goal to further define the deposit, provide the data needed to increase confidence in the mineral resource and build on the results of the positive Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA") for the La Loutre project as announced in the Company's July 29, 2021, press release. Lomiko has retained InnovExplo Inc, a Quebec-based independent consulting firm specializing in geology, resource estimation, mining engineering and sustainable

development, to prepare an updated NI 43-101 compliant resource estimate for the La Loutre project following the completion of the 2022 drill program. The assay results reported in this press release are for eleven holes drilled at the central section of the EV Zone. These holes were drilled to confirm results of the previous drilling and provide better detail of the EV Zone in this part of the deposit. Please refer to Table 1 for the weighted average graphitic carbon-bearing drill intersections (not true thickness) and Table 2 and Figure 1 for the collar locations referred to in this press release.

Significant intervals of graphite mineralization were intersected in 8 of the 11 holes. The best intersection was 7.60 percent graphitic carbon ("% Cg") over 119.8 metres ("m") from 81.2 to 201m in hole LL-22-044 including 10.06% Cg over 40.5m from 81.2m to 121.7m. Graphite intervals intersections in holes LL-22-45, -046, -047 and -050 remain open with additional assay results pending. Holes LL-22-044, -045, -046, -049, -051, -052 all bottomed in mineralization. Four other holes were planned for this area but could not be drilled due to difficult terrain or ground being too swampy, or soft conditions that prevented access.

Table 1:	Weight	averaged	graphitic	carbon-bearing	drill
	inter	sections	(not true	thickness)	

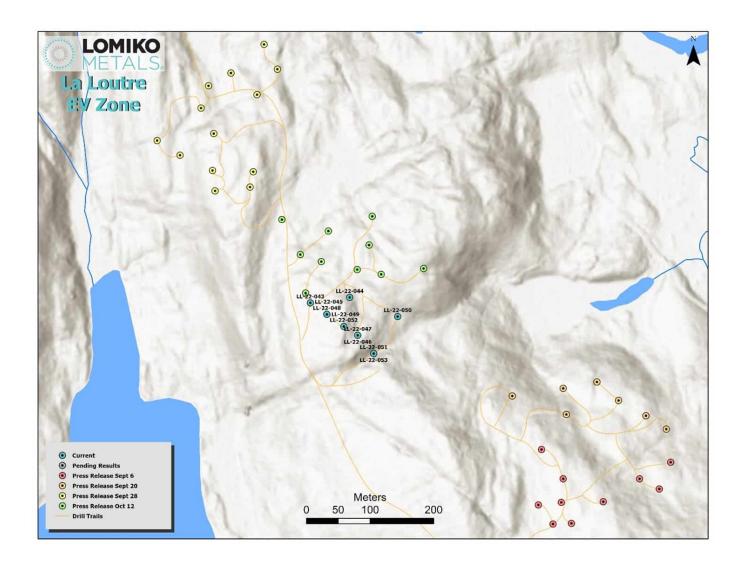
Hole	From (m)	To (m)	Int. (m)	% Cg	Notes
LL-22-043					Not Sampled, abandoned hole, redrilled as LL-22-045
LL-22-044	81.2	201	119.8	7.6	Stopped in mineralization
Including	81.2	121.7	40.5	10.06	

Including	166.7	186.2	19.5	10.31	
LL-22-045	93	102	9	1.01	
	204	231	27	5.83	Stopped in mineralization & open up hole from 204m
Including	211.5	231	19.5	7.63	
LL-22-046	59.5	79	19.5	0.87	
	186	207	21	3.95	Stopped in mineralization & open up hole from 186m
Including	186	198	12	5.37	
LL-22-047	64	82	18	0.88	
	92	117.5	25.5	0.41	
	200	216.5	16.5	0.55	Open down hole from 216.5m
LL-22-048					Not Sampled, abandoned hole, redrilled as LL-22-049
LL-22-049	203	219	16	2.71	Stopped in mineralization
LL-22-050	13	136	123	5.07	Open down hole from 136m
Including	14.5	37	22.5	10.67	
LL-22-051	41.5	55	13.5	1.92	
	76.5	93	16.5	0.34	
	112.5	145.5	33	0.54	
	170.5	188.5	18	0.61	Stopped in mineralization
LL-22-052	77	92	15	1.09	

	118	257.5	139.5	1.67	Stopped in mineralization
Including	209.5	257.5	48	3.62	
LL-22-053	38.4	57.9	19.5	0.77	
	116.5	234	117.5	1.94	
Including	163	184	21	5.18	
and	214	233	19	3.62	

# Table 2: Drill Hole Collar Locations (UTM NAD 83, Zone 18)

Hole	UTM_mE	UTM_mN	Elevm	Azimuth_°	Dip_°	Length_m
LL-22-043	499411	5098013	350	60	-53	57
LL-22-044	499473	5098022	354	60	-54	201
LL-22-045	499411	5098013	350	60	-53	231
LL-22-046	499485	5097962	354	60	-57	210
LL-22-047	499485	5097962	354	60	-75	219
LL-22-048	499437	5097995	355	60	-57	12
LL-22-049	499437	5097995	355	60	-57	219
LL-22-050	499548	5097992	340	60	-57	141
LL-22-051	499510	5097934	342	60	-76	189
LL-22-052	499463	5097976	358	60	-57	258
LL-22-053	499510	5097934	342	60	-76	234



## **QAQC** and Analytical Procedures

The drill core was logged and marked for sampling by a professional geologist. All the core was photographed as part of the logging procedure. Core samples were collected by splitting each sample interval in half lengthwise with a hydraulic core splitter. One half of the interval was returned to the core box, and the other half was placed in a plastic bag with a tag. The tag number was marked in indelible ink on the outside of the bag, and the bag was sealed with a plastic tie-wrap. One certified reference material standard and one blank were included in each batch of 21 samples. For shipping, samples were placed in rice bags that were individually sealed with numbered, tamper-proof security tags. The rice bags were then placed on

wooden pallets, secured with plastic wrapping, and delivered by truck to Manitoulin Transport Inc. for shipping to Activation Laboratories Ltd. ("Actlabs") in Ancaster, Ontario.

At Actlabs the samples were crushed to 80% passing 2mm and then riffle split to a 250g sub-sample that was pulverized to pulp 95% passing  $105\mu m$  (Actlabs Code RX1). The sample pulps were then analyzed for graphitic carbon "Cg") by mild hydrochloric acid digestion followed by combustion in an infrared induction furnace (Actlabs Code 8Cg). Actlabs is accredited under ISO 9001:2015 registration and is independent of the Company.

### **Qualified Person**

The technical content presented in this press release was reviewed by Mark Fekete, P.Geo. who actively participated in the La Loutre drill program as an independent consultant to the Company as the "Qualified Person" as that term is defined under National Instrument 43-101 — Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

#### About Lomiko Metals Inc.

Lomiko Metals has a new vision and a new strategy in new energy. Lomiko represents a company with purpose: a people-first company where we can manifest a world of abundant renewable energy with Canadian and Quebec critical minerals for a solution in North America. Our goal is to create a new energy future in Canada where we will grow the critical minerals workforce, become a valued partner and neighbour with the communities in which we operate, and provide a secure and responsibly sourced supply of critical minerals.

In addition to La Loutre, Lomiko is working with Critical Elements Lithium Corporation towards earning its 70% stake in the Bourier Project as per the option agreement announced on

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The Bourier project site is located near Nemaska Lithium and Critical Elements south-east of the Eeyou Istchee James Bay territory in Quebec which consists of 203 claims, for a total ground position of 10,252.20 hectares (102.52 km²), in Canada's lithium triangle near the James Bay region of Quebec that has historically housed lithium deposits and mineralization trends.

## About the La Loutre Graphite Project

The Company holds a 100% interest in its La Loutre graphite development project in southern Quebec. The La Loutre project site is located within the Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg (KZA) First Nations territory. The KZA First Nations are part of the Algonquin Nation and the KZA territory is situated within the Outaouais and Laurentides regions. ☐ Located 180 kilometres northwest of Montreal, the property consists of one large, continuous block with 76 mineral claims totalling 4,528 hectares (45.3 km²).

The Property is underlain by rocks belonging to the Grenville Province of the Precambrian Canadian Shield. The Grenville was formed under conditions that were very favourable for the development of coarse-grained, flake-type graphite mineralization from organic-rich material during high-temperature metamorphism.

Lomiko Metals published a <u>July 29</u>, <u>2021 Preliminary Economic Estimate (PEA)</u> which indicated the project had a 15-year mine life producing per year 100,000 tonnes of graphite concentrate at 95% Cg or a total of 1.5Mt of graphite concentrate. This report was prepared as National Instrument 43-101 Technical Report for Lomiko Metals Inc. by Ausenco Engineering Canada Inc., Hemmera Envirochem Inc., Moose Mountain Technical

Services, and Metpro Management Inc., collectively the Report Authors.

On behalf of the Board,

Belinda Labatte

CEO and Director, Lomiko Metals Inc.

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