

# Avalon's Don Bubar on developing a rare earths supply chain in Canada

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"Interest in rare earths continues to ramp up. There is real concern about the security of supply of these critical materials outside of China. With the Executive Order that Trump implemented this summer means there is now funding available for companies aspiring to participate in developing that supply chain in the United States." States Don Bubar, President, CEO and Director of [Avalon Advanced Materials Inc.](#) (TSX: AVL | OTCQB: AVLNF), in an interview with InvestorIntel's Tracy Weslosky.

Don went on to provide an update on Avalon's collaborative development agreement on Nechalacho Rare Earth Elements Project with Cheetah Resources of Australia. He said that Cheetah Resources has taken ownership of one small part of the property where the resource was well suited for developing at a very small scale to get something in production quickly, make a concentrate that can be shipped and rare earths extracted to provide another source of rare earths to rapidly serve the needs in markets outside of China. Don also provided update on Avalon's East Kemptville Tin-Indium Project and Separation Rapids Lithium Project. He said that the company is planning to use sensor-based ore sorting at the East Kemptville Tin-Indium Project. The work is in progress for testing the material to be able to use the technology and the initial results are encouraging.

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**Tracy Weslosky:** Don, I want to start by congratulating you for winning [PDAC](#)'s distinguished service award. But first I want to congratulate you on the news you just announced where you provided an update on three of your projects as you race towards small scale production. How about we start with that?

**Don Bubar:** We are making a lot of progress. We haven't had a tremendous amount of news flow over the last couple of months but that's not because we have been working really hard. We are moving all the three projects forward with that goal of achieving initial small-scale production within the next year or so.

**Tracy Weslosky:** I continue to pound the issue of sustainability with our audience. We need these critical materials for technology applications. Let's start with Nechalacho. What is happening there?

**Don Bubar:** We have a new partner there in Cheetah Resources, an Australian private company. They share our vision for the need for small scale rapid production to serve this rapidly growing deficit of the market for rare earths as soon as possible. They have agreed to work with us on that project. We actually have sold them one small part of it to allow them to take the lead on getting that going with our support of course to help them get started and create long term possibilities to grow that project.

**Tracy Weslosky:** And their investment is \$5 million is that correct?

**Don Bubar:** That's the initial purchase price. They will also be investing in what's needed to take the project to next stage of feasibility work and put it in production.

**Tracy Weslosky:** How did you get the Australians attracted to investing in North West Territories...to access the complete interview, [click here](#)

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