CBLT'S Peter Clausi on derisking exploration projects with M&A

written by InvestorNews | March 20, 2024 In a comprehensive interview with InvestorNews host Tracy Weslosky, Peter Clausi, President, CEO & Director of <u>CBLT Inc.</u> (TSXV: CBLT), delved into the company's strategic focus on mergers and acquisitions (M&A) and asset development across the mineral exploration sector. Clausi articulated CBLT's preemptive strategy to bolster its financial position by liquidating assets ahead of anticipated market downturns, ensuring the company remains financially robust with "cash in the bank." This prudent financial management, according to Clausi, positions CBLT advantageously during both prosperous and challenging times, enabling continued exploration and project development activities.

Clausi emphasized CBLT's unique approach to growth, stating, "In our belief, you can make more money with the pen than with the drill bit at less risk," highlighting the company's success in maximizing value through strategic M&A activities rather than solely relying on direct exploration. This philosophy has allowed CBLT to maintain a lean share structure over 15 years, with only 75 million shares issued, a testament to their efficient capital management and strategic project acquisitions.

The interview further shed light on CBLT's diverse portfolio, ranging from gold and cobalt to lithium and copper properties across Canada, each selected for its potential to address future market demands. Notably, Clausi spotlighted the acquisition and planned development of the historic Falcon Gold Mine in Sudbury, illustrating CBLT's knack for identifying and revitalizing underexplored or forgotten assets. This property, alongside others such as Michaela in British Columbia and a lithium property adjacent to the Tanco Mine in Manitoba, underscores CBLT's strategic foresight in project selection and development.

Adding to the company's strategic capabilities, CBLT announced the addition of James R. Atkinson, a geologist with over 40 years of experience, to its board of directors, promising to further bolster its expertise in mineral exploration and project evaluation.

Moreover, Clausi provided insights into the company's recent sale of the non-core Ryliejack asset in northern British Columbia, demonstrating CBLT's strategic asset management and focus on optimizing its portfolio for financial and operational efficiency. Throughout the interview, Clausi's narrative was one of strategic foresight, prudent financial management, and a deep understanding of the mineral exploration sector. His perspective on the critical role of copper as a technology metal, over other more transient battery metals, reflected a long-term strategic outlook on commodity investment, emphasizing the importance of adaptability and foresight in the rapidly evolving resource sector. Clausi's articulate discussion highlighted CBLT's commitment to strategic growth, value creation, and operational excellence in the exploration industry.

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across Canada. In Manitoba, they fully own the Shatford Lake Project, focusing on Lithium, which was acquired in 2021. In Sudbury, Ontario, they possess both Copper Prince and the former gold producing Falcon Gold Project, acquired in 2016 and 2023 respectively. These two projects are significant as they jointly cover 100% of the Garson Fault, with resources including Cobalt, Copper, and Gold. Ontario is also home to their Big Duck Lake Project, acquired in 2019, which is rich in Copper, Gold, and Zinc. Similarly, in Newfoundland, the Burnt Pond Project, also acquired in 2019, targets Copper and Zinc resources. Their Geneva Lake Project in Sudbury, focusing on Lead and Zinc, has been under their ownership since 2012. Lastly, the Mikayla Project in British Columbia, acquired in 2012, explores Copper, Gold, and Silver, though no exploration activities were reported for it in fiscal 2023. With regards to passive investments, CBLT acquired title to the Chilton Cobalt property in Quebec in 2017, which was later optioned to PowerStone Metals Corp.

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