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International Minerals Innovation Institute Announces New Chairman of the Board

SASKATOON, SK – International Minerals Innovation Institute (IMII) is pleased to announce the appointment of Dwight Percy as Chairman of the Board of Directors effective immediately.

Dwight Percy is a business communicator and strategic planner. Since 1995, through Percy Communications, he has worked with hundreds of clients that range from small businesses to large corporations in a wide variety of sectors. For several years, Dwight Percy was the business columnist for the Saskatoon Star Phoenix and a business columnist and talk show host for CJWW Radio. In addition, he was a sessional lecturer for fifteen years in the University of Saskatchewan's Business Administration Certificate program.

Mr. Percy previously served as Manager, Investor Relations with Great Western Minerals Group and as Vice President, Corporate Development with Claude Resources. As publisher and editor of Percy on Business Street News, Mr. Percy wrote about, interviewed and discussed mining industry strategies.

"I am delighted to be joining the Board of IMII," said Mr. Percy. "Since 2012, the Institute has made great strides in education, training, research and development for the minerals industry. I look forward to joining such a professional team and contributing to the advancement of the organization."

IMII Executive Director and Senior Technical Advisor, Engin Özberk, commented: "I am excited to welcome such an experienced industry professional to chair the IMII Board. Mr. Percy brings extensive expertise in the minerals industry, communication, strategic planning, and corporate governance to IMII."

Dwight Percy replaces Dr. Gordon Barnhart as Chairman of the IMII Board. Dr. Barnhart stepped down in May 2014 to join the University of Saskatchewan as the Acting President. David Grier, Chief Strategist with Innovation Saskatchewan and IMII Board Member has fulfilled the position for the past seven months.

About International Minerals Innovation Institute:

International Minerals Innovation Institute, a unique industry–government–education and research institutions partnership jointly funded by industry and government, is a catalyst to developing industry-driven education and training programs to address labour force needs in the sector and conducts industry-driven research and development to address workplace health and safety, environmental sustainability, social license, policy research, exploration, mining, processing and economics of commodities to ensure the continued growth of the industry.

IMII's current activities and future plans are being driven by industry priorities. Through the Board of Directors and separate panels for both Education and Training (E&T Panel) and Research and Development (R&D Panel), collaboration occurs amongst industry, government and education and research institutions to clearly define the need, solution, implementation plan and outcomes together.

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