



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **East Energy appoints geologist to boost exploration at its QLD coal projects**

Perth-based coal exploration company East Energy Resources (“East Energy” or “the Company”) is pleased to announce the appointment of a senior geologist to further expedite exploration and development at its Queensland-based coal projects.

Robin Evans has more than 30 years experience as a geologist including specific expertise in project generation, prospect evaluation and exploration management.

He has held senior roles across a wide variety of companies such as export consulting firm Mining Project Investors, former ASX-listed Posgold (now global mining giant Newmont (NYSE: NEM)) and Amoco Minerals Australia and Amoco Minerals Fiji.

Mr Evans has a Bachelor of Science (Hons – 1<sup>st</sup> class) from the University of Queensland and a Master of Science in Economics Geology from the James Cook University of North Queensland.

East Energy Chairman Terry Byrt said he was delighted with the appointment of Mr Evans who would help to expedite exploration at the Company’s coal projects – Norwich Park in the Bowen Basin and Blackall, in the Adavale Basin.

“Independent technical due diligence has identified a potential mineralisation target of approximately 79 to 90 million tonnes of thermal coal at our Blackall Coal Project,” Mr Byrt said.

“Getting a JORC compliant resource at Blackall is a key priority as we plan to commence drilling at the project as soon as the tenement is granted.

“We believe there is scope to increase the mineralisation target considerably and to this end, we look forward to utilising Robin’s expertise in prospect evaluation and exploration management to fast-track delineation of JORC compliant resource and take this project forward.”

East Energy has prepared a technical report that identified abundant historical data relating to coal mineralisation at the Blackall project EPC 1149, including pre-JORC coal mineralisation statements and well documented drilling information (1340m drilling and 97m of coring).

The company believes that this information is of sufficient quantity and quality to allow it to expedite the preparation of JORC Compliant resource estimate.

East Energy has secured exclusive use of drill rigs and technical staff through an agreement with QLD based company Ansett Mining Corporation Limited.

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