

Failed oiler Eon NRG plugs into WA metals space

SHAREHOLDERS in failed US-focused oiler Eon NRG will be asked to support a recapitalisation as a Western Australia-focused gold and battery metal explorer next month, under a deal proposed by Perth-based mining entrepreneur and incoming chair John Hannaford.



Eon NRG is looking to reposition itself as a Western Australia-focused gold and battery metal explorer

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The company, which commenced life as Incremental Oil and Gas in 2009, was decimated by the collapse in energy prices at the start of the pandemic, which caused it to default on its loans.

Comments

Share

The stock has been suspended for more than two years while it settled its debts and obligations and divested its assets in California.

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While it has moved out of the fossil fuel space, the junior did secure a number of claims in Nevada's Stillwater Range during the 2017 cobalt boom, which it has opted to retain as a secondary focus.

Assuming shareholder support for more than 30 resolutions at its July 13 meeting, including a 20-for-1 share consolidation, stock issues to settle debts, and a plan to raise up to A\$5 million at 2c - including a \$500,000 convertible note issue and \$1 million priority offer to Eon shareholders.

Shareholders will also be asked to support the acquisition of shell company Monomatapa Coal, which has \$625,000 in cash. Hannaford is a 3% shareholder in Monomatapa, where Perth mining identities Joe Graziano and Morgan Barron are directors.

The centrepieces of Eon's recapitalisation plan are share deals with Jindalee Resources, Beau Resources, Nuclear Energy, and Arabella Resources for a mix of tenements and applications that span 1402sq.km spanning the Gascoyne, Meekatharra, and Pilbara provinces of WA.

Hannaford and proposed director David Izzard are the vendors of Arabella.

The renamed Voltaic Strategic Resources will be looking for battery metals at West Well, Paddy's Well, Talga, Talga West, and Ti Tree in the Gascoyne, close to emerging discoveries such as Arrow Minerals' Malinda lithium deposit and Kingfisher Mining's Micks Well and Kingfisher rare earth element finds.

Its gold focus includes the Bundie Bore, Cue, and Bluebird South projects, which are close to known producing areas near the Meekatharra and Cue mining centres.

Finally, Kooline in the emerging Pilbara gold province, sits on the Wyloo anticline, 50km from the Paulsens gold mine. Gold anomalism was defined, but not followed up beyond limited shallow drilling, when Northern Star Resources examined the area a decade ago.

Simon Adams will continue as finance director, and recently appointed non-executive technical director Lachlan Reynolds will stay with Voltaic.

Michael Walshe will be appointed as CEO.

Voltaic aims to return to trading by July 29.

