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## POSITIVE DECISION ON CLIMATE CHANGE HEARING

Bathurst Resources Ltd (ASX & NZX: BTU) is pleased to announce that it has received a positive decision from Judge LJ Newhook (Acting Principal Environment Judge) on the preliminary question of the relevance of effects on climate change of mining coal in New Zealand.

The Court has granted the declaration which was sought by Bathurst's wholly owned subsidiary, Buller Coal Ltd that in considering the applications for consents for the Escarpment Mine the Court cannot have any regard to the effects on climate change of discharges into the air of greenhouse gases.

The Court also refused to grant declarations sought by West Coast ENT Incorporated that the Court was required to consider the effects of climate change from the combustion of coal.

Now that the declaration decision has been delivered the Company expects that Judge Newhook will shortly put in place a timetable for the hearing of the substantive appeals by West Coast ENT Incorporated and Royal Forest & Bird against the Escarpment Mine. As advised previously the appeal by the Fairdown Whareatea Residents has been withdrawn.

On behalf of Bathurst Resources Ltd

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hamish Bohannan', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Hamish Bohannan  
Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer.

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