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New Zealand Conservationist to Lead Bathurst Environmental Group

A senior New Zealand conservationist – Mr Guy Salmon – has agreed to become chairman of the Environmental Reference Group, an initiative of Bathurst Resources Limited to actively monitor and guide the environmental performance of the Company's New Zealand operations.

The Environmental Reference Group will also be called the "Kaitiaki Group" – a Māori name which embodies the concept of guardianship of the natural environment.

The Group will report to the Bathurst Board of Directors and will include independent representatives with experience in the particular environmental needs and challenges posed by operations in New Zealand.

Commenting on today's announcement, Bathurst CEO Hamish Bohannon said:

"The Bathurst Board and management are committed to minimising the environmental impact of our operations and to leaving a positive environmental legacy when those operations end."

"The Environmental Reference, or Kaitiaki, Group will hold us to account for our environmental performance and ensure we're on the right path in regards to New Zealand's unique environment."

The Kaitiaki Group is tasked with ensuring that the company applies best practice in its environmental management and that it is responsive to the changing needs and expectations of stakeholders and the national community.

The Group will meet on at least a quarterly basis and have free access to the company's staff, records and operating sites. It may also make public comments from time to time on the company's environmental performance.

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About Guy Salmon

Guy Salmon is Executive director of the Ecologic Foundation (formerly the Maruia Society) – an independent think-tank, based in Nelson, New Zealand.

He recently led a four-year comparative study of sustainable development in New Zealand, Finland, Sweden and Denmark. This has led to the establishment of several collaborative projects between business, environmental and iwi interests in New Zealand.

In 1975, he co-founded the Native Forests Action Council. He led the native forest conservation movement, culminating in the creation of the Department of Conservation in 1987.

As a member of policy task forces for successive governments, he contributed to the reform of the government's environmental administration system, the development and reform of the Resource Management Act, and the development of policies on forestry, climate change, and freshwater. He is currently a member of the Land and Water Forum and the Government's Advisory Group on Green Growth.

Mr Salmon has previously served on the boards of Landcare Research and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority, and as a Trustee of the Cawthron Institute.

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