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Stratum Metals Limited ('Stratum' or 'Company') is pleased to announce the signing of a Service Agreement locking in the services of Todd Axford to Stratum for at least the next 18 months.

Mr Axford is a member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Axford has a strong background as a geologist working in the field, complemented with a more recent focus on the corporate side of the resource industry. Mr Axford has experience in gold, base metals and iron ore, with management of programs from conception to completion, along with project feasibility and due diligence work.

Mr Axford was the Senior Mine Geologist at Mount Gibson Iron between 2004 and 2007, and Exploration Manager for Australasian Resources from 2007 to 2010 before establishing private consulting firm Geko-Co Pty Ltd.

Mr Axford will fill the role of Exploration Manager for Stratum taking responsibility for the company's technical management. His experience is well suited to Stratum's current package of gold and base metal projects, while his bulk commodity experience will be of great use as the company progresses the Canning Basin Coal project.

Mr Axford said: *"My involvement with Mr Holland and the Stratum Board began in July 2011, at a time when the company was keen to list and hit the ground running with drilling at Gidgee North. The positive results for the first round of drilling and the general enthusiasm of all involved has been the catalyst to my increased involvement.*

While Gidgee North has generated immediate results, with the potential of more to come, Stratum's other projects warrant a dedicated focus which may well deliver results in the near term. The package of Canning Basin coal tenements allows me to apply, and expand upon, my knowledge of bulk commodities gained through involvement with Portman (Cliffs NR), Mt Gibson Iron, and Australasian Resources.

Some of my recent consulting work to Stratum has involved evaluation of potential projects and opportunities to expand the company through joint venture or acquisition. With the strong and

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supportive shareholder base developed by Mr Holland and the continued support of the board as a whole I see my role with Stratum being a highly rewarding one."

With the current opportunities for experienced professionals within the resource industry Mr Axford's willingness to commit to Stratum is not only pleasing, but is a sign of support in the boards belief in Stratum's potential.

Regards



Martin Holland
Managing Director