



## **Ares Strategic Mining Completes Purchase of 48-Acre Industrial Property**

- Property is already industrially zoned, allowing for manufacturing operations.
- Property possesses \$2M of infrastructure and buildings, saving Ares construction costs and time.
- Property contains its own water wells to supply the Ares processing operation.
- Direct access to highway, power, utilities, and gas
- Property is several miles from Delta City, requiring no mining camp for employees.

Vancouver, B.C. April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 — Ares Strategic Mining Inc. (the “Company”) (CSE: ARS) (OTC:ARSMF) (FRA: N8I1), is pleased to announce that it has fully completed the purchase, and received title, of a 48-acre, industrially zoned manufacturing site for its upcoming fluorspar processing operation (the “Property”). The Property is located in Delta, Utah, the closest city to the Company’s Spor Mountain fluorspar project (“Spor Mountain”).

The Property is already fitted with utilities, and possesses its own water wells, reducing reliance on local water networks. The facilities will be able to locate both Ares’ lumps and flotation plants and house a large tailings facility for the coming production. The Property is connected to Ares’ Lost Sheep project via large, paved highways, requiring no infrastructure upgrades outside of the facility so the Company can receive material.

The Company has already delivered its lumps plants and the associated structural steel to its new industrial site and has located a firm able to perform the plant assembly. With the newly acquired land, the Company will now be able to construct a tailings dam, allowing also for storage of waste aggregate well suited for selling to local businesses and construction projects.



**New Ares Workshop**

James Walker, President and CEO of the Company said, “Purchasing the processing site is a major advance towards our production goals. Locating the most suitable site required balancing the site’s size, location, facilities, accessibility, suitability, and cost – the Company believes it has located the best and most balanced industrial facility and land available. The new acquisition means no second site is needed for the second processing facility, and staff can be more efficiently managed between operations. Ares will have a good workforce to draw from, accessible water, good access for trucks, and will be located near its newly installed rail spur for shipment of its products throughout the U.S.”

In 2018 the U.S. government classified fluorspar as a Critical Mineral, “deemed critical to U.S. national security and the economy”. Fluorspar remains the only non-metallic Critical Mineral which is 100% imported in the entire country. Fluorspar’s classification as a Critical Mineral in the United States translates to a faster permitting period, enabling mining operations to initiate more quickly than operations for conventional minerals.



**New Facility and Warehouse Installation**

#### Lost Sheep Fluorspar Project – Delta, Utah

- 100% owned – 5,982 acres – 353 Claims
- Located in the Spor Mountain area, Juab County, Utah, approximately 214 km south-west of Salt Lake City.
- Fully Permitted – including mining permits.
- NI 43-101 Technical Report identified extensive high-grade fluorspar with low levels of impurities.
- Mining plan approved by BLM<sup>1</sup>

First approved by Rex Rowley – Area Manager, Bureau of Land Management – 24th August 1992.

Renewed by Mike Gates – Minerals Program Manager, Bureau of Land Management – 12th December 2016.

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
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