

# AUXICO ANNOUNCES SAMPLING RESULTS FROM A GEOLOGICAL REPORT ON THE MINASTYC PROPERTY

MONTREAL, Feb. 8, 2024 /CNW/ - **Auxico Resources Canada Inc.** (CSE: AUAG) (OTCQB: AUXIF) (the "Company" or "Auxico") is pleased to announce results from a sampling program previously conducted on the Minastyc property, located in Puerto Carreño, Vichada, Colombia. The amended report will be available on the Company's website ([www.auxicoresources.com](http://www.auxicoresources.com)) and accessible on SEDAR+ ([www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca)).

Minastyc is a 100% Company-controlled critical mineral rich project which intends to be the subject of a near-term small-scale production program. The Company is pleased to announce the results from a campaign conducted on the Minastyc property during 2021 by Mr. Joel Scodnick, and Mr. Jocelyn Pelletier, both Qualified Persons. These samples were sent for Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) analysis method whereby the related certificate of analyses were only recently received and therefore not reported earlier. The samples taken and highlighted below weighed between 3 kg to 12.209 kg, and the following results further demonstrate the pervasive nature of the mineralization within the TA Area and Area 50, as well as outside of those areas.

## Highlights of the 2021 sampling program results are as follows:

- The samples were taken from 8 pits spanning a distance of approximately 1.8 km, from east to west (*refer to Figure 1*). The samples were selected and channeled within the TA Area, Area 50, and in December 2021, new pits were established and sampled as well.
- All the results contain rare earth elements (REE) as well as other critical minerals, therefore further demonstrating the potential of the Minastyc property as a strategic source of critical minerals that are key to the energy transition and a focal point of public policy. Only the results of some of the more valuable REE findings are highlighted below:

### AREA 50

- A 3 kg sample (#S00357835A) yielded 139.6 g/t Nb, 26.4 g/t Ga, and 73.6 g/t Rb (*channel sample from surface to a depth of 1.0 metre*).
- A 3.2 kg sample (#S00357841A) yielded 34.4 g/t Nb, 165.6 g/t Pr, 14.4 g/t Dy, 22.7 g/t Ge, 1.022 kg/t Ce, and 98.3 g/t Sm (*channel sample from a depth of 1.2 metres to 3.0 metres*).

### TA AREA

- A total of 11.6 kg (average) from samples #S00357846 to #S00357850, included, returned grades of 18.1 to 36.5 g/t Ga and 11.9 to 24.9 g/t Rb (*sample #S00357846 to #S00357849 channeled from surface to a depth of 3.5 metres, and sample #S00357850 channeled from surface to a depth of 1.5 metres, just above #S00357851*).
- A 10.6 kg sample (#S00357851) yielded 2.90 kg/t Nb, 1.63 kg/t Ta, 36.6 g/t Ga, and 23.9 g/t Rb (*channel sample from taken from a depth of 1.5 metres to 2.5 metres*).
- From channel sampling across 8 pits, it was observed that the clayish-rich conglomerate appears to be the most fertile unit carrying the most abundant Ta-Nb-Sn-REE's and other critical minerals; Area 50 richer in REE's and Area 50 richer in Ta-Nb. Mineralization starts at the surface and can be seen to extend at least a few metres to the bottom of the trenches. The larger sample size yielded better results than panned concentrates, demonstrating that a larger sample size is a more

representative indication of the actual grade.

- A total of 361 pits were identified on the Minastyc property (refer to Figure 2) based on compiled data, and according to what was observed, mineralization and minerals of interest are hosted in gravel size fragments primarily found from surface to a depth of several metres. Other stratigraphic horizons that contain fine sands and clays also contain REE and critical minerals.
- Incorporating data from previous work conducted on the property, the highly prospective TA Area and Area 50 lie approximately 1.6 km apart, with both areas having returned various high-grades in concentrates and samples weighing from 3 kg to 12 kg.
- The amended NI 43-101 Report indicates a representative 3.2 tonne bulk sample taken from two locations on the Area 50 pit. Acid Bake Testing of the bulk sample concentrate, sample# S00357793 was done in March, 2022 at IGS Impact Global Solutions laboratory. The results produced a Total Rare Earth Oxide (TREO) concentrate totalling 49% with recoveries averaging 89.74% as provided in Table 1 below. In this same test IGS was able to precipitate 94.38% of the Thorium, and 92.34% of the Uranium, both radioactive elements. IGS is confident they can precipitate +99% of the Thorium and 90%-95% of the Uranium. In conclusion, a straightforward production of Rare Earth bulk concentrate with only minor amounts of Thorium and Uranium was achieved at the lab scale level using scalable and conventional processing technology of acid bake, water leach and precipitation steps. This is important because in order to transport the concentrates to North American or European refineries, the radioactive content must be less than 100ppm which appears to be achievable.

Element	Ce	Dy	Er	Gd	Hb	La	Lu	Nd	Pr	Sm	Tb	Th	U	Y	Yb
Feed (%)	22.26	0.60	0.21	0.68	0.08	7.43	0.07	10.90	3.02	2.86	0.12	2.48	0.16	0.46	0.30
Acid Bake water leach Recovery (%)	91.46	92.57	89.22	94.14	91.44	94.59	85.39	92.92	94.04	95.03	93.17	94.38	92.34	89.15	63.51

Table 1: Acid Bake & Water Leach recoveries for sample S00357793

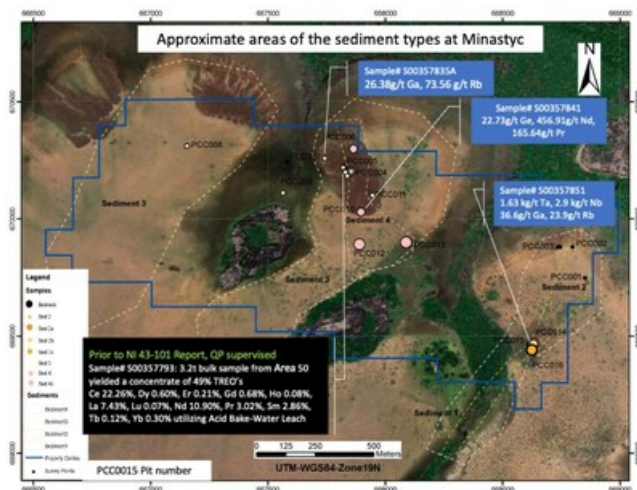


Figure 1: Location of pits at the Minastyc Property sampled in 2021 with best results highlighted (CNW Group/Auxico Resources Canada Inc.)

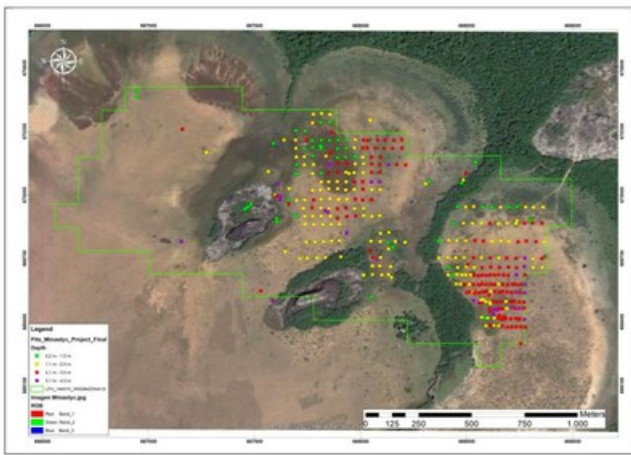


Figure 2: 361 pits identified on the Minastyc Project property, classified by depth (CNW Group/Auxico Resources Canada Inc.)

Mark Billings, Chairman of Auxico Resources commented, *"The 30-sample campaign on eight of the pits further demonstrates the vast potential of the Minastyc property, with highly anomalous values being reported for Gallium and Rubidium, therefore enhancing the prospective nature of the project. The Metallogeny Report describes in some detail the mineral formation (genesis and regional distribution of mineral deposits) of this type of alluvial deposit, further validating the economic potential and concepts of operation. Auxico has compiled a vast amount of sampling data which not only validates the prospective nature of the property but also allows management and our technical team to develop an accurate plan with key targets as we move towards a stage of production."*

## Qualified Person

Mr. Ricardo Sierra, B.Sc. of Science a member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (MAusIMM 3078246), is a Qualified Person (QP) as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this news release and in relation to the Minastyc Project in Vichada Colombia. Mr. Ricardo Sierra is an independent technical consultant to Auxico Resources Canada Inc.

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Additional information on Auxico can be found on the Company's website ([www.auxicoresources.com](http://www.auxicoresources.com)) or on SEDAR+ ([www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca)) under "Auxico Resources Canada Inc."

## ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

« signed. »

Mark Billings  
Chairman, Auxico Resources Canada Inc.

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