

## 28 Certificate of Author

I, Michael Dufresne, M. Sc., P.Geol., P.Geol., do hereby certify that:

1. I am President and a Principal of APEX Geoscience Ltd., 11450 - 160 St NW #100, Edmonton, AB, Canada, T5M 3Y7.
2. I graduated with a B.Sc. Degree in Geology from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington in 1983 and a M.Sc. Degree in Economic Geology from the University of Alberta in 1987.
3. I am and have been registered as a Professional Geologist with the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists ("APEGA") of Alberta since 1989 and a Professional Geoscientist with the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists ("APEGBC") of British Columbia since 2012.
4. I have worked as a geologist for more than 30 years since my graduation from University and have extensive experience with exploration for, and the evaluation of, gold deposits of various types, including disseminated, structurally hosted shear zone type and intrusion related gold deposits.
5. I have read the definition of "Qualified Person" set out in National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") and certify that by reason of my education, affiliation with a professional association (as defined in NI 43-101) and past relevant work experience, I fulfill the requirements to be a "Qualified Person" for the purposes of NI 43-101.
6. I am responsible for all sections of the "NI 43-101 Technical Report, Geological Introduction to Emperor Metals Inc.'s Pine Grove Property, Ontario, Canada", with an effective date of March 4, 2021 (the "Technical Report"). I visited the Pine Grove Property on November 23 and 24, 2020 and can verify the Property, geology, mineralization and the infrastructure at the Pine Grove Property.
7. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the Technical Report contains all relevant scientific and technical information that is required to be disclosed, to make the Technical Report not misleading.
8. I have read National Instrument 43-101 and Form 43-101F1, and the Technical Report has been prepared in compliance with that instrument and form.
9. I am independent of the issuer, the vendor and the Property applying all of the tests in section 1.5 of both NI 43-101 and 43-101CP.
10. I have not had any prior involvement with the Property that is the subject of the Technical Report.
11. I consent to the filing of the Technical Report with any stock exchange and other regulatory authority and any publication by them for regulatory purposes, including electronic publication in the public company files or their websites.

Effective date: March 4, 2021  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

*"Michael B. Dufresne"*

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