

# Star Royalties Ltd. Announces Closing of Strategic Investment in Green Star Royalties

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[Star Royalties Ltd.](#) (the “Company” or “Star Royalties”) (TSXV: STRR, OTCQX: STRFF) is pleased to announce the closing of the previously announced strategic non-brokered private placement (the “Private Placement”) of 15,384,620 common shares (“Green Star Shares”) of its subsidiary, Green Star Royalties Ltd. (“Green Star”), at a price of C\$1.00 per Green Star Share. [Agnico Eagle Mines Limited](#) (“Agnico Eagle”) (NYSE, TSX: AEM) has purchased 14,134,620 Green Star Shares for an aggregate purchase price of C\$14.13 million. The Company’s management team and Board of Directors (collectively, “Management”) have purchased the remaining 1,250,000 Green Star Shares in the Private Placement for an aggregate purchase price of C\$1.25 million.

Following the closing of the Private Placement, Green Star is now owned 61.9% by Star Royalties, 35% by Agnico Eagle and 3.1% by Management. Management’s direct or indirect holding of Green Star Shares are now: Kevin MacLean (0.84%), Anthony Lesiak (0.74%), Alexandre Pernin (0.52%), Dmitry Kushnir (0.25%), Jay Layman (0.25%), Kylie Dickson (0.25%), Jinhee Magie (0.12%), Kenneth Ngo (0.10%), and Belinda Labatte (0.03%). The Private Placement is expected to accelerate the Company’s ability to pursue larger green opportunities and to establish a substantial pure-green royalty company that should attract capital from both generalist and ESG-focused investors.

For additional details on the Private Placement, please see the Company’s news release dated March 31, 2022.

Alex Pernin, Chief Executive Officer of Star Royalties, commented: “We are delighted to finalize a strategic relationship with Agnico Eagle and we look forward to jointly maximizing the potential of Green Star. We recognize the alignment between our and Agnico Eagle’s commitments to sustainability and we welcome their expertise as not only a highly reputable senior Canadian gold mining company, but also a global ESG leader in their industry. We will now focus on scaling up our business, including with our partner Blue Source LLC, North America’s leading carbon offset developer and marketer.”

Participation in the Private Placement by Management, insiders of the Company, constitutes a related party transaction as defined under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions (“MI 61-101”). Management did not own any Green Star Shares prior to the Private Placement and after completion of the Private Placement, Management collectively owns 3.1% of Green Star. The Private Placement to Management was undertaken to ensure that Management’s interests are aligned with the interests of Agnico Eagle and Star Royalties, the other shareholders of Green Star. The issuance of Green Star Shares to Management is on the same terms and conditions as negotiated with Agnico Eagle, which is arm’s length to Star Royalties and Green Star. The Private Placement to Management is exempt from the formal valuation requirements of Section 5.4 of MI 61-101 pursuant to Subsection 5.5(b) of MI 61-101 and exempt from the minority shareholder approval requirements of Section 5.6 of MI 61-101 pursuant to Subsection 5.7(1)(b) of MI 61-101. No formal valuation or other prior valuation has been prepared in respect of Green Star. An independent director of Star Royalties reviewed the terms of the Private Placement to Management and concluded that the Private Placement to Management is in the best interests of Green Star and Star Royalties. The Company did not file a material change report 21 days prior to the closing of the Offering as the details of the participation of these Management insiders of the Company had not been confirmed at that time.

In connection with the Private Placement, Star Royalties, Agnico Eagle and Management entered into a unanimous shareholders’ agreement (the “USA”), pursuant to which each of Star Royalties and Agnico Eagle will have the right to appoint two individuals to the Board of Directors of Green Star for so long as each shareholder continues to exercise control or direction over at least 10% of the issued and outstanding Green Star Shares. Green Star will establish a Technical Committee that will review new investment opportunities and will have equal representation from Star Royalties and Agnico Eagle. The USA also provides that if Star Royalties holds less than 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of Green Star, Agnico Eagle may require Green Star to repurchase all securities of Green Star held by Management for the fair market value of such securities. In addition, the USA contains restrictions on the transfer of Green Star Shares and a limitation on certain corporate actions of Green Star that do not have the consent of Agnico Eagle and Star Royalties and certain other customary provisions. The USA will terminate on the date that one party owns all of the issued and outstanding Green Star Shares or on a “go-public” transaction.

In connection with the Private Placement, Agnico Eagle and Green Star entered into a Co-Investment and Environmental Attribute Purchase Agreement (the "CIEAP Agreement"). Pursuant to the CIEAP Agreement, Agnico Eagle was granted the right to co-invest with Green Star in up to 30% of certain future transactions. In addition, the CIEAP Agreement provides each of Agnico Eagle and Star Royalties the right to acquire 95% and 5%, respectively, of any environmental attributes (including carbon credits) that Green Star owns, or has the right to acquire, at fair market value. In addition, Green Star has agreed to certain restrictions on its future capital commitments, including that it shall: (i) use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that the Green Star's EA Deployed Capital (as defined in the CIEAP Agreement), being the amount of Deployed Capital (as defined in the CIEAP Agreement) committed to projects or investments that generate a minimum number of environmental attributes, is greater than 75% of its aggregate Deployed Capital; and (ii) not make any investment, agree to any participation or increase the amount of Deployed Capital, if it would result in Green Star's EA Deployed Capital being less than 50% of its aggregate Deployed Capital, without obtaining the prior consent of Agnico Eagle.

## **ABOUT STAR ROYALTIES LTD.**

Star Royalties Ltd. Star Royalties Ltd. is a precious metals and carbon credit royalty and streaming company. The Company created the world's first carbon negative gold royalty platform through its pure-green subsidiary, Green Star Royalties, and offers investors exposure to precious metals and carbon credit prices with an increasingly negative carbon footprint. The Company's objective is to provide wealth creation by originating accretive transactions with superior alignment to both counterparties and shareholders.

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