

Standard Uranium Reaches Terms to Option Ascent Project in Eastern Athabasca Basin

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VANCOUVER, Jan. 11, 2024 - [Standard Uranium Ltd.](#) ("Standard Uranium" or the "Company") (TSX-V: STND) (OTCQB: STTDF) (Frankfurt: FWB:9SU) is pleased to announce that it has signed a term sheet (the "Term Sheet"), dated January 9, 2024, with Summit Fusion Pty. Ltd. (the "Optionee" or "Summit"), an arms-length private, Australian company. Pursuant to the Term Sheet, the Optionee will be granted the option (the "Option") to earn a 75% interest in the 3,737-hectare Ascent Project ("Ascent" or the "Project") located in the eastern Athabasca Basin (Figure 1).

The Option is exercisable by the Optionee in three stages, summarized in Table 1. During the first stage, the Optionee can earn a fifty-percent (50%) interest in the Ascent Project by: completing cash payments totaling \$200,000, arranging for the issuance of \$200,000 worth of shares to the Company, and incurring \$3,000,000 of expenditures, which must be completed within two years of the Option being exercised.

Stage Two starts immediately upon Summit earning a fifty-percent interest in the Project. During the second stage, the Optionee can increase their interest in the Ascent Project to seventy-five percent (75%) by completing a further cash payment of \$100,000, arranging for the issuance of a further \$100,000 worth of shares, and incurring an additional \$3,000,000 of expenditures, which must be completed within a year from the commencement of Stage 2.

Jon Bey, CEO and Chairman, commented "We are pleased to announce our third option agreement since transitioning to a project generator in July 2023. The Company now has over 22 million dollars committed to our exploration programs over the next three years. Heading into the 2024 exploration season, we will have a minimum of six exploration programs underway with four of those being drill programs at Sun Dog, Canary, Ascent and Davidson River projects. 2024 is shaping up to be our most exciting exploration year to date."

Figure 1. Overview of the eastern Athabasca Basin, highlighting Standard Uranium's Ascent project.

Table 1. Summary of Option Agreement Terms

Stage		Option
		Expenditures
1	Year 1	\$100,000
	Year 2	\$200,000
2	Year 3	\$300,000
	TOTAL	\$600,000

The Company's Ascent project is situated in the Mudjatik geological domain where several recent discoveries have been made, including IsoEnergy's Hurricane deposit to the southwest, and is significantly underexplored relative to adjacent magnetic low/electromagnetic ('EM') conductor corridors. Additionally, due to the Project's location on the eastern margin of the Basin, Ascent possesses the potential for discovery of shallow unconformity-style and basement-hosted uranium mineralization.

The Company completed a high-resolution airborne TDEM survey on the project in 2022, bolstering the historical EM corridors which identified significant structural disruptions presenting prime targets for uranium mineralization.

If within five years of completing the second stage, a bankable feasibility study on a defined mineral resource is completed, the Optionee has the option to acquire the remaining 25% interest in the Ascent Project by making a payment to the Company equivalent to the value of the remaining 25% interest, with such value determined by an independent third party.

Upon completion of the first two earn-in stages on the Ascent Project, the parties intend to form a joint venture for the further development of the Project. During the first two stages of the Option, the Company will act as the operator of the Ascent Project and will be entitled to charge a ten percent operator fee on exploration expenditures. Following exercise of the Option, the Company will retain a one-and-one-half percent net smelter returns (NSR) royalty on the Project, of which one-half percent may be purchased back at any time for a one-time cash payment to the Company of \$500,000 at the option of Summit Fusion.

The Term Sheet is non-binding at this time and the grant of the Option remains subject to the satisfactory completion of due diligence by the Optionee along with the negotiation of definitive documentation. No finders' fee is payable by the Company in connection with the Option.

The scientific and technical information contained in this news release has been reviewed, verified, and approved by Sean Hillacre, P.Geo., President and VP Exploration of the Company and a "qualified person" as defined in NI 43-101.

About Standard Uranium (TSX-V: STND)

We find the fuel to power a clean energy future

Standard Uranium is a uranium exploration company and emerging project generator poised for discovery in the world's richest uranium district. The Company holds interest in over 199,095 acres (80,571 hectares) in the world-class Athabasca Basin in Saskatchewan, Canada. Since its establishment, Standard Uranium has focused on the identification, acquisition, and exploration of Athabasca-style uranium targets with a view to discovery and future development.

Standard Uranium's Atlantic, Canary, Ascent, Corvo, and Rocas Projects, in the eastern Athabasca Basin, comprise twenty-three mineral claims over 29,520 hectares. The eastern basin projects are highly prospective for unconformity related and/or basement hosted uranium deposits based on historical uranium occurrences, recently identified geophysical anomalies, and location along trend from several high-grade uranium discoveries.

Standard Uranium's Sun Dog project, in the northwest part of the Athabasca Basin, Saskatchewan, is comprised of nine mineral claims over 19,603 hectares. The Sun Dog project is highly prospective for basement and unconformity hosted uranium deposits yet remains largely untested by sufficient drilling despite its location proximal to uranium discoveries in the area.

Standard Uranium's Davidson River Project, in the southwest part of the Athabasca Basin, Saskatchewan, comprises ten mineral claims over 30,737 hectares. Davidson River is highly prospective for basement-hosted uranium deposits due to its location along trend from recent high-grade uranium discoveries. However, owing to the large project size with multiple targets, it remains broadly under-tested by drilling. Recent intersections of wide, structurally deformed and strongly altered shear zones provide significant confidence in the exploration model and future success is expected.

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