

# OM HOLDINGS LIMITED

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Dear Sir/Madam

## **BOOTU CREEK FATALITY - COURT PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDED**

Further to OM Holdings Limited's (ASX:OMH | BURSA:OMH-5298) ("OMH" or the "Company") announcements dated [26 August 2019](#), [26 September 2019](#), [24 December 2019](#) in relation to a fatal accident at the Bootu Creek Manganese Mine in Northern Territory, the Board of the Company advises that the proceedings initiated against its wholly owned subsidiary, OM (Manganese) Ltd ("OMM") were concluded at an adjourned plea hearing held at the Northern Territory Local Court today.

OMM accepted full responsibility for the causal factors that contributed to Mr Craig Butler's, OMM's Mining Superintendent, death on 24 August 2019 and accepted the Northern Territory Local Court's decision to impose a fine of A\$487,500 for a breach of the *Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011* (NT).

Employee and contractor safety continues to be a priority for the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company once more extends its most sincere condolences to Mr Butler's family and friends.

A copy of the media release is attached. All media queries are to be directed to Elena Madden, True North Strategic Communication, 0447 710 108 or [elena@truenorthcomm.com.au](mailto:elena@truenorthcomm.com.au)

Yours faithfully

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## OM (MANGANESE) LTD MEDIA RELEASE

**11 October 2023 - OM (Manganese) Ltd (“OMM” or the “Company”)**, today accepts the Northern Territory Local Court’s decision to impose a fine for a breach of the *Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011* (NT), that culminated in the tragic death of Mr Craig Butler, OMM’s Mining Superintendent on 24 August 2019.

First and foremost, the Company again expresses its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mr Butler. Mr Butler’s death was an unspeakable tragedy. The Company accepts full responsibility for the causal factors that contributed to Mr Butler’s death. It fully accepts the fine imposed by the Court, acknowledging that no monetary penalty can ever compensate the Butler family for their loss. The Company also recognises the impact this incident has had on the OMM employees who were exposed to a risk of serious injury or death at that time.

OMM continues to be in contact with Mr Butler’s family and supports all employees and Directors affected by this tragic incident.

In the wake of this tragedy the Company has complied with all regulatory requirements and fully co-operated with NT Police and all regulators including NT WorkSafe, the Northern Territory Coroner’s officer and the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade in relation to their investigations. OMM has accepted the expert geotechnical advice it commissioned and has acted on the recommendations made to improve the safety systems at Bootu Creek.

Mining operations at Bootu Creek ceased on 13 December 2021 after reaching its natural end-of-mine life. In January 2022 the mine reverted to Care and Maintenance operations and remains so to this date.

OMM is wholly owned by OM Holdings Limited which is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and has a secondary listing on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

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