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One Province, One Economy

VANCOUVER, B.C. - The Mining Association of British Columbia (MABC) welcomes the LNG Canada joint venture participants' final investment decision to build an LNG export facility in Kitimat, in the traditional territory of the Haisla Nation. This significant project represents the largest private sector investment in Canadian history.

"Kitimat, other northern communities, and communities across British Columbia will all benefit from LNG Canada's project proceeding. It is another example that British Columbia is 'one province, one economy', with rural, urban and Indigenous communities working in partnership to deliver opportunity and prosperity," said Bryan Cox, President & CEO of MABC. "This decision clearly demonstrates that by industry, government, Indigenous peoples, and communities working together, responsible projects can be built in British Columbia for the benefit of all British Columbians."

MABC recently released data on the economic benefits from 13 major metal and coal mine operations in British Columbia. The data shows that more than 125 municipalities and Indigenous communities have more than 3,000 businesses that provide \$1.35 billion worth of materials goods and services to six metal mines and seven coal operations across the province, including more than \$460 million of goods and services from 1,200 suppliers located in Vancouver and the lower mainland.

"In order to continue to provide this contribution and create the mining jobs of tomorrow, we must ensure that British Columbia remains competitive for our natural resource industries," concluded Cox. "MABC will continue to work with government and other important stakeholders to ensure that we have a competitive economic climate and a regulatory system that provides the clarity, consistency and co-ordination that leads to timely decisions for the mining sector."

Commodities mined in B.C. are building our lower carbon, clean energy future, including the copper required to build clean energy vehicles, silver and molybdenum for solar panels, and steel-making coal for wind turbines.

MABC is the voice of mining in B.C., representing operating coal, metal and industrial mineral producers in the province. MABC's mandate is to support a strong and thriving mining industry that creates opportunities and wealth for all British Columbians.

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