

# Curis Resources Ltd. Hires Successful Industry Veteran to Lead Development of the Florence Copper Project

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VANCOUVER, Sept. 28 /[CNW](#)/ - Vancouver-based [Curis Resources Ltd.](#) announced today that it has hired Mr. Mel Lawson as the Company's new Vice President of Project Development. Mr. Lawson's career in the mining industry spans more than 40 years. He comes to Curis from QuadraFNX, where he most recently served as Engineering Manager for the Sierra Gorda Copper Project in Chile.

In his new role at Curis, Mr. Lawson will be responsible for the successful planning and development of the world-class Florence Copper Project in central Arizona, and for overseeing subsequent mineral projects pursued by Curis in the future. Mr. Lawson has extensive career experience in mining project development and operations, spanning more than 40 years. He has worked on an array of international projects throughout Canada, the United States and New Zealand.

"We are extremely pleased that Mr. Lawson has joined the Curis team and brought his extensive international project development experience to help move the Florence Copper Project forward," said Michael McPhie, President and CEO of Curis Resources Ltd. "Mel and his family are in the process of relocating to Arizona, which will help to reinforce Curis' already strong local community presence."

Mr. Lawson holds a BSc in Mining Engineering and has built his career around mine start-ups, operations and projects, with proven experience in underground and surface operations, project management and construction. He possesses strong operational and technical abilities with hands-on experience in major project management, Feasibility Studies, project permitting, contract preparation, project and construction management, project start-up, policy development and administration. His work has involved extensive government relations and community engagement with respect to developing new projects, which when combined with his extensive technical and management capabilities, make him an ideal addition to the Curis team driving the Florence Copper Project forward towards production.

Prior to his position with QuadraFNX as Engineering Manager for the Sierra Gorda Project in Chile, Mr. Lawson held senior management positions for many years with global mining leaders Rio Tinto and [Newmont Mining Corp.](#) Prior to that, he was with Royal Oak Mines, [Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.](#), [Stillwater Mining Company](#), Exxon Minerals Company, White Pine Copper Company, Sunshine Mining Company, and Bunker Hill Company with which he started his career.

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## About Curis Resources Ltd.

Curis Resources Ltd. is a private mineral development company associated with the Hunter Dickinson Inc. (HDI). It is focused on the acquisition, development and operation of high quality next generation copper properties in progressive jurisdictions around the world. Curis holds a 100% interest in the Florence Copper Project, an advanced stage In Situ Copper Recovery (ISCR) project in central Arizona.

The 1,342-acre Florence property hosts a 429 million ton 43-101 compliant measured and indicated copper oxide resource, grading 0.331% copper and containing 2.84 billion pounds copper at a 0.05% cutoff.

## About HDI

Hunter Dickinson Inc. (HDI) is a diversified, global mining company with a 25-year history of mineral development success. From its head office in Vancouver, Canada, HDI applies its unique strengths and capabilities to acquire, develop, operate and monetize mineral properties that provide consistently superior returns to shareholders.

For further details on Curis Resources please visit the Company's website at [www.curisresources.com](http://www.curisresources.com) or

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