

Hercules Metals Appoints Dillon Hume as Vice President, Exploration

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Toronto, April 23, 2025 - [Hercules Metals Corp.](#) (TSXV: BIG) (OTCQB: BADEF) (FSE: C0X) ("Hercules" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the appointment of Dillon Hume as Vice President, Exploration, effective May 1, 2025. Dillon has more than a decade of experience leading large exploration and resource definition drill programs. Notably, at the Red Chris Cu-Au porphyry mine in British Columbia, he oversaw over 120,000 meters of drilling across eight drill rigs, playing a pivotal role in the discovery of the East Ridge Zone and delineation of the East Zone.

Chris Paul, CEO and Director of the Company, commented, "We are pleased to welcome Dillon as the new Vice President of Exploration. Dillon joined Hercules in a consulting capacity earlier this year. Having known him for over a decade and worked with him on past projects, I was already familiar with his professionalism, technical expertise, and strong work ethic. Over the past few months, working alongside him during our 3D modeling review has been instrumental in refining our geological understanding and shaping our exploration strategy. With a proven track record of designing and executing advanced-stage drill programs, and a disciplined, capital-efficient approach, Dillon has us well-prepared as a team to drive results as we launch our most important drill program to date."

Dillon spent over eight years with Equity Exploration ("Equity"), a geological firm that has supported more than 400 exploration projects and drilled over 1.4 million meters globally. While with Equity, Dillon was instrumental in advancing Red Chris's underground block-cave resource and pre-feasibility study of the East Zone for Newcrest Mining. Dillon also made significant contributions at the Kudz Ze Kayah VHMS deposit in the Yukon Territory, including the discovery of the Krakatoa Zone and its subsequent feasibility study.

Most recently, Dillon served as Vice President, Exploration at Trailbreaker Resources, where he oversaw early-stage exploration initiatives across several porphyry copper and gold projects throughout British Columbia.

Dillon holds a B.Sc. in Geology and M.Sc. in Economic Geology from Simon Fraser University. His M.Sc. thesis examined the structural and mineralogical controls of gold mineralization at the Tajitos orogenic gold deposit in Sonora, Mexico. He is a registered professional geoscientist (P.Geo.) in British Columbia.

About Hercules Metals Corp.

Hercules Metals Corp. (TSXV: BIG) (OTCQB: BADEF) (FWB: C0X) is an exploration Company focused on developing Idaho's newest copper and silver district.

The 100% owned Hercules Project located northwest of Cambridge, hosts the newly discovered Leviathan porphyry copper system, one of the most important discoveries in the region to date. The Company is well positioned for growth through continued drilling, supported by extensive historical and current exploration and a strategic investment by Barrick Gold.

With the potential for significant scale, the Company's management and board of directors aims to build on its proven track record which includes the discovery and development of numerous precious metals projects worldwide.

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