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AMEC welcomes new Queensland Minister of Resources Scott Stewart

The Association of Mining and Exploration Companies (AMEC) is looking forward to working with the new Minister for Resources, Hon Scott Stewart MP, as well as all the other Ministers that underpin our sector.

“AMEC congratulates Minister Stewart on his appointment as Queensland’s new Minister of Resources and we look forward to working with him to further grow the mining and mineral exploration industry for the benefit of all Queenslanders,” said AMEC Chief Executive Officer Warren Pearce.

“AMEC is keen to build on the great work the Government has started, supporting exploration projects and converting them into mining projects that will deliver ethically and sustainably sourced minerals for the growing renewable energy industry.”

“The COVID relief that has been provided by the Queensland Government for explorers has been the best in Australia, with 12 months exploration rent being waived being the standout.”

During COVID-19 the Queensland State Government expanded Collaborative Exploration Initiative (CEI) to support exploration for most minerals, with particular emphasis on new economy minerals throughout Queensland, boosted the CEI by \$10 million over 4 years and waived exploration rent for up to 12 months.

“Our members will continue to need Government’s assistance to get on the ground and convert their mineral discoveries to established projects generating more jobs and opportunities for the State.”

“I would also like to personally thank outgoing Minister Anthony Lynham for his strong support and commitment to the resources sector and his understanding of the importance of exploration to the future of the state,” said Mr Pearce.

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