

## **News Release**

## Chamber of Mines Hires new Nunavut General Manager

(Yellowknife, NT – January 17, 2024) The NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines (Chamber) welcomes Hudson Lester as its Nunavut General Manager, based in its Iqaluit office.

Hudson is no stranger to the North, from attending school to working in Iqaluit for over twenty years. He brings significant experience to the Chamber including public relations, marketing, tourism, employee relations, and customer relations. Prior to his appointment, Hudson worked as Chief Operating Officer for Lester Landau and was the Executive Director of the Baffin Regional Chamber of Commerce. He has also worked in various capacities with the Government of Nunavut and the private sector within Iqaluit.

"We are pleased to welcome Hudson to our Chamber," said Alex Buchan, the Nunavut Vice President for the Chamber. "We look forward to Hudson assisting us in our work in Nunavut, working with our many mining, exploration, consulting, and service and supplier members, and liaising with all levels of public and Inuit governments. This is an important role given that our minerals industry represents nearly half of Nunavut's economy."

"I am very honoured and humbled to take on the role as General Manager. The North has always had my heart and to be able to take my passion for people and the land to new levels and avenues is very exciting. I am excited to be a part of an amazing team and organization that will continue to focus on promoting and encouraging existing and new mineral resources opportunities in Nunavut and the North collectively."

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The NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines has been the voice of the Northern mining and exploration industry since 1967, providing leadership on, and advocating for, responsible and sustainable mineral exploration and development in the NWT and Nunavut.



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