

Evergold Appoints Brian Butterworth to the Board of Directors

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Evergold Corp. (TSX-V: EVER, WKN:A2PTHZ) (“Evergold” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that, effective immediately, Brian P. Butterworth has joined the board of directors.

Mr. Butterworth is a senior mining executive with over 40 years of experience in mineral exploration, project development, and capital markets. From 2014 to 2025, he served as President of Hy-Tech Drilling Ltd., where he provided strategic leadership and strengthened the company’s market position. His background also includes senior roles in mining investment banking, where he led and co-managed equity financings and advised on mergers and acquisitions across the sector. Throughout his career, Mr. Butterworth has been an active member of the Vancouver exploration and mining community and has chaired a variety of committees for organizations such as Association for Mineral Exploration BC, Engineers and Geoscientists BC and the Vancouver Mining Exploration Group.

About Evergold

Evergold Corp. is focused on advancing the Golden Lion project, its 100%-owned, gold-silver project in northern British Columbia’s prolific Toadoggone mining district. At the southern end of the Golden Lion property, at the GL1 Main Zone, previous drilling by the Company, along with historical work, has outlined a near-surface, epithermal-style gold and silver bearing system with excellent potential for expansion along trend and down dip. The property was last explored by the Company in 2021, when the final three holes yielded some of the most significant gold-silver intercepts ever drilled on the property (see News [January 17, 2022](#)). To the north of the GL1 Main Zone, the property also has copper potential that is clearly evident in historical data, and which has been realized recently elsewhere in the district.

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