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The Manager Companies  
Australian Securities Exchange  
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Dear Sir

**Exploration Alliance – Oz Minerals Ltd**

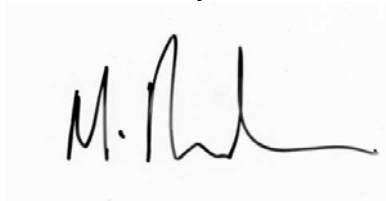
Bass Metals Ltd (ASX:BSM) is writing to advise that the Hellyer Exploration Alliance and resultant four Special Project Joint Ventures with Oz Minerals Ltd (ASX:OZL) have been terminated.

The termination of the alliance and Joint Ventures, which covered prospective targets in the Hellyer region, was by mutual agreement but initiated by OZL due to exploration budget constraints. The target areas will revert to 100% BSM control and ownership with OZL retaining no residual rights of any kind.

The Company is disappointed to lose the exploration partnership with OZL, but is excited about following up on the target areas identified through the alliance period as it increasingly focuses its exploration and development activities on the Hellyer and Que River Mining leases.

I look forward to reporting further on the Company's progress and outcomes in pursuit of its growth objectives in the near term.

Yours Sincerely



Mike Rosenstreich  
*Managing Director*