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Guardian Exploration Appoints Scott C. Pimm to Advisory Board to Strengthen Northern Infrastructure and Project Development Expertise

Calgary, Alberta – May 21, 2026 – Guardian Exploration Inc. (TSXV: GX) (OTCQB: GXUSF) (Frankfurt: R6B) (“Guardian” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the strengthening of its Advisory Board with the appointment of Mr. Scott C. Pimm as an Advisor to the Board.

Graydon Kowal, President & CEO of Guardian Exploration, commented: “Scott brings an exceptional combination of large-scale construction leadership, operational execution, and northern experience to Guardian. I have had the opportunity to spend time around a number of Scott’s projects and have seen firsthand his ability to manage complex infrastructure and construction programs in challenging environments. His practical experience working across remote regions of Western Canada, combined with his aviation and logistics background, will provide valuable insight as Guardian continues advancing its exploration portfolio in Nunavut and the Yukon. We are very pleased to welcome Scott to the Advisory Board.”

About Scott Pimm

Mr. Pimm is a senior construction and industrial infrastructure executive with more than 30 years of leadership experience delivering major pipeline, facilities, compression, and industrial fabrication projects throughout Western Canada. He brings extensive operational, construction management, logistics, and northern infrastructure expertise to Guardian as the Company advances exploration activities across its portfolio of projects in Nunavut, Yukon, and British Columbia.

Mr. Pimm is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Remuda Steel Corporation, an Alberta-based structural steel and industrial fabrication company serving the energy and industrial sectors. Prior to founding Remuda Steel, he held senior leadership positions with major energy infrastructure companies, including Director, Construction at Spectra Energy Inc., a role he continued with Enbridge Inc. following Enbridge’s acquisition of Spectra Energy. In these roles, he oversaw major capital expansion projects ranging from \$100 million to more than \$3 billion annually across Canada.

During his career, Mr. Pimm has led construction and commissioning programs involving large-scale pipeline systems, compressor stations, facilities infrastructure, winter construction operations, mountainous terrain projects, and remote logistics execution throughout Western Canada and northern operating environments. He has also been recognized for his leadership in construction safety, quality management systems, and operational excellence.

Mr. Pimm additionally holds a private pilot license with multi-engine IFR and Citation Jet endorsement, bringing extensive aviation and remote-access experience that complements Guardian's northern exploration activities.

Mr. Pimm commented: "I am excited to join Guardian Exploration's Advisory Board at an important stage in the Company's growth. Guardian has assembled a compelling portfolio of exploration projects in highly prospective jurisdictions, and I look forward to contributing operational, construction, and northern logistics experience to support the Company's ongoing advancement."

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On Behalf of the Board of Guardian Exploration Inc.

"Graydon Kowal"

Graydon Kowal
President & Chief Executive Officer

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