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IPO OF CALLABONNA URANIUM LIMITED

The Board of Republic Gold (“**Republic**” or the “**Company**”) announces that Curnamona Uranium Pty Limited (“**Curnamona**”) is included in a suite of assets to form part of the upcoming Initial Public Offering (“**IPO**”) of Callabonna Uranium Limited (“**Callabonna**”). The Company has a 35% interest in Curnamona, which was originally called Callabonna Uranium Pty Limited. Curnamona is included contractually in a binding Heads of Agreement between Planet Gas Limited and Touchstone Management Pty for this IPO. The Callabonna assets include a series of exploration licences prospective for uranium and a series of geothermal exploration licences. The Company has been informed that the Callabonna prospectus is expected to be lodged with ASIC in July.

The aim of the IPO is to raise \$8 million through the issue of 40 million new shares at an issue price of 20 cents each. The Company will receive 4,313,925 vendor shares in Callabonna, which will be escrowed for a period of two years after the successful listing of Callabonna on the ASX.

The highlights of the proposed IPO are as follows: -

- Callabonna will have an experienced Board, including geologist Mr Mike Raetz, Dr Andrew Wilde and Mr Peter Bull. Mr Raetz (Managing Director) had a long career with the BHP Minerals Discovery team, including four years as Principal Geologist. He has been responsible for the exploration of base and precious metals and uranium. Dr Wilde has many years experience in uranium research and exploration, and Mr Bull has worked both as an exploration geologist and finance broker with Macquarie Bank. The other Board members, Mr Peter Nightingale (Chairman) and Mr Mark Lichtenberg, have a track record of successful minerals company management and commercial marketing experience.
- Seed capital raised has been spent on an aerial electro-magnetic survey to cover the original Curnamona tenements and additional adjoining tenements that together form the “Curnamona Project” in Callabonna. The survey aims to locate paleo-channels which could potentially host sedimentary uranium deposits similar to the Beverley, Beverley Four Mile and Honeymoon Uranium Projects that occur in the Callabonna Sub-Basin. The results of this survey are expected soon after the proposed listing of Callabonna and will be used to design an exploration drilling programme.
- The Australian subsidiary of Asia’s fourth largest oil refining companies, SK Energy with over \$23 billion in annual sales, will support the IPO by subscribing for \$500,000 of convertible notes prior to the IPO with various redemption mechanisms depending on the funds raised by the IPO, as well as 10 million shares in the IPO. As part of the convertible note subscription agreement SK Energy has the right to purchase at least 20% of any uranium production from any deposits mined by Callabonna.

- There are twelve mineral exploration licences in South Australia and the Northern Territory, and six geothermal exploration licences in South Australia in the IPO. Four of the South Australian mineral exploration licences that were vended into the IPO from Curnamona are shown numbered in the Figure below.



The Callabonna Tenements in the Callabonna Sub-Basin Showing the Beverley and Beverley Four Mile Uranium Projects 65 Kilometres to the South-West and the Honeymoon Uranium Project 170 Kilometres to the South

Republic shareholders have been given a priority allocation in the Callabonna IPO. The Company will announce when the Callabonna IPO prospectus is available. In the interim, details of all the projects in Callabonna can be found on the website www.callabonna.com.au

Yours faithfully

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