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BRL files Statement of Defence and Counterclaim

Bathurst Resources Limited (ASX: **BRL**) advises that in response to the proceedings served by Talley's Group Limited (**TGL**) on 18 December 2024 (see ASX Announcement "Notice of Claim", 19 December 2024), BRL and all of its directors today filed with the New Zealand High Court in Wellington:

- a statement of defence and counterclaim in complete response to the allegations made by TGL. The counterclaims brought by BRL are against Mr Andrew Talijancich (aka Andrew Talley), TGL and Talleys Energy Limited;
- an interlocutory application on notice for an order striking out the proceedings by TGL as an abuse of process, and other orders (including in the alternative to strike out); and
- an interlocutory application on notice for an order consolidating proceedings, and other orders. This application seeks to bring the two proceedings filed by TGL (see ASX Announcement "Notice of Claim", 19 December 2024) into one proceeding.

Authorised for release on behalf of the board of directors of Bathurst.

Richard Tacon
CEO