

## ENOVA APPOINTS REE DISCOVERY EXPERT ALEXANDRE DA ROCHA TO SUPPORT EAST SALINAS DEVELOPMENT

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Enova appoints Brazilian REE geologist Alexandre Rocha da Rocha, together with a team of specialists from Geological Consultores Associados Ltda, to assist with existing mineral projects and identifying new opportunities in Brazil**
- **Mr da Rocha played a central role in defining Brazil's first ionic adsorption clay (IAC) REE deposits, including the Pela Ema REE deposit, which underpins the Serra Verde operations**
- **Serra Verde Group was recently acquired by USA Rare Earths for US\$2.8bn**
- **He was instrumental in discovery of Brazilian Rare Earths' Flagship "Rocha da Rocha" Project (ASX: BRE; \$1.5bn market cap). These discoveries have reinforced Brazil's potential across multiple REE deposit styles**
- **His work, supported by a team of specialists, will assist in defining IAC REE<sup>1</sup> resources at the East Salinas Project, Minas Gerais, expanding the mineralisation footprint and identifying additional prospects in the region**
- **The team provides metallurgical test work capability, supporting metallurgical characterisation and geo-metallurgical modelling**
- **East Salinas is a recent discovery by Enova Mining with recent drilling results intersecting high grade IAC mineralisation with intercepts such as**
  - 17m @ 5,000ppm TREO and 19% NdPr from surface (EAS-DD-0006), includes 16m @ 5,137ppm TREO and 20% NdPr from 1m
  - 7 m @ 3,467 ppm TREO and 21.5% NdPr from surface (EAS-DD-0004)
  - 6m @ 3,311ppm TREO and 20% NdPr from 14m (EAS-DD-0008) includes 5m @ 3,772ppm TREO and 19% NdPr and 3m @ 4,667ppm TREO and 16% NdPr from 15m
  - 12m@ 2,741ppm TREO and 23% NdPr from surface (EAS-DD-0001)
  - 12m @ 1,866ppm TREO and 19% NdPr from surface (EAS-DD-0007), includes 6.4m @ 2,387ppm TREO and 20% NdPr from surface

**Enova Mining Limited (ASX: ENV)** (Enova or the Company) is pleased to announce it has engaged rare earth element (REE) specialist Alexandre Magno Rocha da Rocha, supported by a team from Geological Consultores Associados Ltda ("Geological"), to assist with the development of its East Salinas project in Brazil.

<sup>1</sup> Ionic Adsorption Clay Rare Earth Element

Mr da Rocha is well known for his role in the early identification and advancement of the Serra Verde ionic clay rare earth deposit in Brazil. He is currently Senior Consultant and one of the founders at Brazilian Rare Earths (ASX: BRE) and is recognised for his contribution to rare earth exploration in the country, combining academic work with practical mineral discovery.

He spent more than 30 years as a professor at the Federal Institute of Education, Science and Technology of Rio Grande do Norte, where he trained generations of mining and geology technicians while remaining actively involved in exploration projects.

Mr da Rocha played a central role in identifying Brazil's first ionic adsorption clay (IAC) REE deposits, including the Pela Ema REE deposit, which underpins the Serra Verde operation and represents a milestone for REE production outside Asia. He also contributed to the discovery of the Monte Alto and Sulista REE deposits owned by \$1.5bn capped Brazilian Rare Earths (ASX: BRE), reinforcing Brazil's potential across multiple REE deposit styles.

Alongside his academic career, Mr da Rocha built a strong reputation as a senior geochemistry consultant, working with companies including Vale, Freeport-McMoRan, Ero Copper and Denham Capital. His work has been central to positioning Brazil as an emerging player in the global rare earth elements supply chain.

As part of this engagement, Mr da Rocha is supported by Geological, a Brazilian consultancy specialising in mineral exploration, with experience across greenfield and brownfield projects from early-stage exploration through to technical and economic evaluation. Geological provides support including permitting with the National Mining Agency (ANM), land management, exploration program execution and technical reporting.

Under the scope of work, Mr da Rocha and his team will undertake mineralogical and preliminary metallurgical characterisation, test work including heap leach and dump leach studies, in-field support for exploration at East Salinas, and assessment of ionic clay REE potential at Carai and Santo Antonio do Jacinto.

**Mr da Rocha said:** *"Enova's East Salinas Project has many of the hallmarks of a new large scale IAC discovery, with geological similarities to the producing Serra Verde mine and I'm excited to apply my knowledge and experience in rare earth geology to support the Enova team as it advances East Salinas following the encouraging drilling results delivered to date."*

### **Next Steps at East Salinas**

Enova's recent diamond drilling program at East Salinas has confirmed REE enrichment within thick surface saprolite amenable to ionic adsorption (IAC)<sup>2</sup> leaching. An auger drilling program is planned at East Salinas to define the extent and thickness of saprolite mineralisation and support ongoing metallurgical test work.

The market will be kept appraised of developments, as required under ASX Listing Rules and in accord with continuous disclosure requirements.

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<sup>2</sup> Ionic Adsorption Clays – See ASX Announcements dated 10 February and 9 April 2026

## ENDS

The announcement was authorised for release by the Board of Enova Mining Limited.

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## About Enova Mining

Enova Mining is a critical minerals exploration and development company with a strategic portfolio of projects across Brazil and Australia, targeting the growing global demand for rare earth elements and battery metals.

The Company's key projects include:

- **The Coda Group of Projects** – prospective for clay-hosted rare earth elements (REE), scandium and titanium.
- **The East Salinas Group of Projects** – prospective for ionic adsorption clay-hosted mineralisation.
- **The Poços de Caldas Project** – a promising ionic adsorption clay REE opportunity.
- **The Charley Creek Project** – mature alluvial REE mineral development and potential for high grade hard rock host rock
- **The Lithium Valley Projects** – including Caraí, Santo Antônio do Jacinto, and Resplendor, all considered prospective for rare earth elements and lithium.

## ASX References

- ASX Announcement dated 10 February 2026 "Discovery of Surface Ionic Adsorption REE Mineralisation"
- ASX Announcement dated 9 April 2026 "High Grade REE Intercepts Confirm IAC Mineralisation"

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