

## Major Drilling Completes the Acquisition of McKay Drilling PTY Limited

**MONCTON, New Brunswick (June 1, 2021)** – Major Drilling Group International Inc. (TSX: MDI) ("Major Drilling" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the closing of the previously announced acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding shares of privately-held McKay Drilling PTY Limited ("McKay"), a family-owned drilling company and a leading specialty drilling contractor based in Perth, Australia.

The transaction was completed by payment of the cash portion of the purchase price of A\$39.7 million (representing approximately \$37.1 million in Canadian dollars) subject to post-closing debt, working capital adjustments and holdbacks using Major Drilling's current cash balance and debt facilities as well as the issuance of 1,318,101 common shares of Major Drilling, valued on the closing of the transaction by the volume weighted average price of the shares on the TSX for the 10 trading days before the closing date. In addition, an earn-out of up to A\$25 million will be payable in cash over the next three years, based on the achievements of certain milestones.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This news release includes certain information that may constitute "forward-looking information" under applicable Canadian securities legislation. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this news release that address future events, developments or performance that the Company expects to occur (including management's expectations regarding the Company's objectives, strategies, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and businesses) are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by future or conditional verbs such as "outlook", "believe", "anticipate", "estimate", "project", "expect", "intend", "plan", and terms and expressions of similar import. All forward-looking information in this news release is qualified by this cautionary note.

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Such forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that include, but are not limited to: the level of activity in the mining industry and the demand for the Company's and McKay's services; the Canadian and international economic environments; the post-acquisition accretion to the Company's financial results; the realization of the intended benefits of the acquisition and any integration-related issues, costs or delays; the Company's dependence on key customers; the level of funding for the Company's clients (particularly for junior mining companies); implications of the COVID-19 pandemic; competitive pressures; exposure to currency movements (which can affect the Company's revenue in Canadian dollars); the geographic distribution of the Company's operations; the impact of operational changes; changes in jurisdictions in which the Company operates (including changes in regulation); failure by counterparties to fulfill contractual obligations; as well as other risk factors described under "General Risks and Uncertainties" in the Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended April 30, 2020, available on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com. Should one or more risk, uncertainty, contingency or other factor materialize or should any factor or assumption prove incorrect, actual results could vary materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking information.

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