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International Battery Metals Ltd. Announces Appointment of Director

VANCOUVER, British Columbia, Canada- May 9, 2018 - International Battery Metals Ltd. (CSE:IBAT) (“IBAT” or the “Company”), is pleased to announce the appointment of Jeremy Ross to serve as an independent director of the Company.

Mr. Ross previously served on the board of directors of the Company from August 2017 to April 2018. Mr. Ross has over 20 years’ experience in venture capital and marketing for small cap to mid-tier mining, oil and gas companies. He has been a director of Fission Uranium Corp. from 2013 to March 2017; Director of Big Wind Capital Inc. since July 2013; Director of Catalina Gold Corp. since September 2014; Director of Canex Energy Corp. since October 2016; Director of Far Resources since June 2016; and a Director of Fission 3.0 Corp. since December 2013. Mr. Ross has planned and implemented numerous marketing campaigns, and was the Corporate Development Consultant for Fission Energy named a Top 50 TSXV company for its performance, prior to the completion of the 2013 Denison Arrangement. In addition, Mr. Ross ran a number of corporate development programs for Canamax Energy (TSXV: CAC), which recently sold to private equity group "Edge Natural Resources LLC" in 2015. He also headed up corporate development for Able Auctions and Smart Tire systems, both of which graduated from the OTC-BB to the Amex stock exchange (NYSE).

President and Chief Executive Officer John Burba commented, “We are very pleased to have Jeremy rejoin our board of directors. Based on his extensive, wide-ranging experience we’re confident he will enhance the strategic objectives of our Board.”

The Company is also pleased to announce the appointment of Logan Anderson as Interim CFO and John Ashburn, Chief Legal Officer, as Corporate Secretary.

About IBAT

IBAT is an advanced technology company focused on lithium brine extraction. The company is in the process of creating and applying intellectual property related to lithium extraction from oilfield brines for petro-lithium extraction projects. IBAT’s unique extraction process is environmentally friendly, low cost, and has the potential to produce high-quality, commercial grade lithium at a much faster rate than the current industry standards.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

“Logan Anderson”

Logan Anderson, Director

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The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise except as required by law. Additional factors that could cause results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements can be found in the company's Annual Report and the company's other filings with the Canadian Securities Exchange (CSE) available at the CSE's Internet site (www.thecse.com).

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