

# International Battery Metals Announces Completion of Phase 2 Engineering On its Mobile Extraction System

Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - November 6, 2018) - **International Battery Metals Ltd. (CSE: IBAT) ("IBAT" or the "Company")**, is pleased to announce that it has completed its Phase 2 engineering study, design, and cost analysis.

Upon receipt of the Phase 2 Engineering Report, Dr. John Burba, CEO of IBAT, stated: *"We are very pleased with the work product that our engineering partner, Impact Engineering, has presented to us. The work was timely and thorough. Furthermore, we believe that their engineering refinements to our design will create additional value to IBAT and the industry."*

Based on this Engineering Report, IBAT is on track to placing its first extraction system in operation next year. This system will provide enough capacity to produce commercial quantities of high purity 40% LiCl and provides significant environmental advantages:

1. Unlike evaporative processes that can damage sensitive salars, such as those found in South America, IBAT's process does not evaporate water from the brine. Instead, it extracts lithium from the brine and returns it back to the resource. This maintains the resource water balance and protects delicate ecosystems.

IBAT's process does not utilize any solvents or foreign chemicals that will alter the brine chemistry. This feature is important to the protection of resource ecology. Returning brine to the resource could be questionable if the return brine is contaminated with organic solvents or other chemicals that are not native to the ecosystem.

2. IBAT's process is designed to recycle approximately 95% of its process water. IBAT's water recovery system will be particularly important in desert areas such as South American Salars, and areas where potable ground water is in short supply.

## About IBAT

IBAT is an advanced disruptive technology company focused on lithium brine extraction. The company is in the process of creating and applying intellectual property related to lithium extraction from brines. 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.

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## Forward-looking statements

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