International Battery Metals Ltd. Announces Closing of Second Tranche of Private Placement

Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - January 23, 2020) - **International Battery Metals Ltd. (CSE: IBAT) ("IBAT" or the "Company"**) announced today that is has closed the second tranche of its private placement announced December 6, 2019. The tranche consisted of 2,912,621 units at \$0.103 USD per unit (approximately \$0.137 CAD per unit) for total proceeds of \$300,000 USD (approximately \$399,029 CAD). The private placement is part of a total private placement of 7,181,000 units at \$0.103 USD per unit announced December 6, 2019 of which 3,000,000 units closed on December 13, 2019. This now brings the total units purchased under the private placement to 5,912,621.

The proceeds will be used to support completion and implementation of the Company's first mobile lithium extraction unit. The unit is to be built in the US and will be shipped to South America by container and to be deployed to a salar.

Dr. John Burba stated, "Our project has now moved into the Detailed Engineering stage. We have also initiated construction of key modules for our mobile extraction system. We are on schedule for the start-up and operation of our Mobile Lithium Mobile Extraction Unit in 2020."

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.

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