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NEWS RELEASE

APPIA ANNOUNCES FIRST CLOSING OF NON-BROKERED OFFERING

Toronto, Ontario, March 23, 2017 - Appia Energy Corp. (the "**Company**" or "**Appia**") (**CSE:API, APAAF.US OTC, Germany:** "**A0I.F**", "**A0I.MU**", "**A0I.BE**") is pleased to announce that further to its News Release of March 7, 2017, the Company intends to close its first tranche of its non-brokered private placement (the "**Offering**") with the sale of 1,442,071 working capital units ("**WC Units**") at \$0.35 per WC Unit for proceeds of \$504,725 on March 24, 2017. The Company intends to use the proceeds from the Offering to continue drilling the Loranger Property and for exploration of the Otherside Property to bring it to the drilling stage and for working capital.

Each WC Unit is priced at \$0.35 and consists of one (1) common share and one (1) common share purchase warrant (a "**WC Warrant**"). Each WC Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one (1) common share (a "**WC Warrant Share**") at a price of \$0.50 per WC Warrant Share exercisable until March 24, 2019.

The Company paid cash finder's fees of an aggregate of \$5,372.50 to eligible finders.

All securities issued pursuant to the above referenced Offering will be subject to a hold period expiring on July 25, 2017.

The Company will keep the remainder of the Offering open until March 31, 2017.

Further to the Company's News Release of March 6, 2017, the first two drill holes have been completed on the Loranger Property and the drill core samples have been sent to the Saskatchewan Research Council's Geolab for geochemical analysis. Results from the drill program will be announced when they are available.

About Appia

Appia is a Canadian publicly-traded company in the uranium and rare earth sectors. The Company is currently focused on discovering high-grade uranium deposits in the prolific Athabasca Basin on its Loranger and Otherside properties, as well as high-grade REO and uranium surface showings on its Alces Lake joint venture. The company currently holds the surface rights to exploration for about 63,607 hectares (157,177 acres) in Saskatchewan.

The Company also has NI 43-101 compliant resources of 8.0 M lbs U_3O_8 and 47.7 M lbs TREE Indicated, and 47.7 M lbs U_3O_8 and 133.2 M lbs TREE Inferred in the historic mining camp of Elliot Lake in Ontario (reported in the Company's news release dated August 1, 2013). The resources are largely unconstrained along strike and down dip.

Appia currently has 50.5 million common shares outstanding, 61.7 million shares fully diluted.

The technical content concerning the Property in this news release was reviewed and approved by Thomas Skimming, P.Eng, a Director of Appia, and a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.

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