

## Zinc8 Energy Solutions Inc. Announces Settlement of Debt and Resignation of Director

**VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA** / March 11, 2020 / MGX Renewables Inc, DBA Zinc8 Energy Solutions (“Zinc8” or the “Company”), is pleased to announce that it has settled the debt claimed by MGX Minerals Inc. by agreement to pay to them \$1,500,000 over the next 4 months. MGX Minerals Inc. had previously claimed a higher amount and the matter had been in dispute.

Also as part of the settlement, MGX Minerals Inc. has agreed to sell to Zimtu Capital Corp. 5,500,000 shares of Zinc8 for \$550,000 that are to be held in escrow and released over approximately two years. The remaining Zinc8 shares in escrow will be retained by MGX Minerals Inc.

Zinc8 and Michael Reimann (Board member) on one side and MGX Minerals Inc. and Jared Lazerson (Board member) on the other have agreed to mutual releases of claims including termination of outstanding litigation against Reimann by MGX Minerals Inc.

Jared Lazerson has resigned as a director of Zinc8, which has reached a severance agreement with Mr. Lazerson, who is also the former CEO of Zinc8. Mr. Lazerson was terminated as CEO in September 2019 having led the acquisition of Zinc8 from Teck Resources by MGX Minerals Inc. in December of 2017 and led the spinoff of the wholly owned subsidiary from MGXM. Mr. Lazerson will on closing be paid 800,000 units at a deemed price of \$0.38 per unit, each unit comprising one Zinc8 common share and one share purchase warrant. Each warrant is exercisable for 2 years at a price of \$0.50 for one additional common share. This is in settlement of all claims by Mr. Lazerson.

The board of Zinc8 now is composed of Ron MacDonald, CEO, Michael Reimann, Lyndon Patrick and David Hodge.

### About Zinc8 Energy Solutions

Zinc8 has assembled an experienced team to execute the development and commercialization of a dependable low-cost zinc-air battery. This mass storage system offers both environmental and efficiency benefits. Zinc8 strives to meet the growing need for secure and reliable power.

To watch a short video outlining Zinc8’s technology, please visit:

<https://zinc8energy.com>

### More about the Zinc8 Energy Storage System (ESS)

The *Zinc8* ESS is a modular Energy Storage System designed to deliver power in the range 20kW - 50MW with capacity of 8 hours of storage duration or higher. With the advantage of rechargeable zinc-air flow battery technology, the system can be configured to support a wide range of long-duration applications for microgrids and utilities. Since the energy storage capacity of the system is determined only by the size



of the zinc storage tank, a very cost-effective and scalable solution now exists as an alternative to the fixed power/energy ratio of the lithium ion battery.

## Technology

The *Zinc8* ESS is based upon unique patented zinc-air battery technology. Energy is stored in the form of zinc particles, similar in size to grains of sand. When the system is delivering power, the zinc particles are combined with oxygen drawn from the surrounding air. When the system is recharging, zinc particles are regenerated, and oxygen is returned to the surrounding air.

## Applications

The flexibility of the *Zinc8* ESS enables it to service a wide range of applications. Typical examples include:

- Smoothing energy derived from renewable sources such as wind and solar
- Commercial/Industrial backup replacing diesel generators
- Industrial and grid scale, on-demand power for peak shaving and standby reserves
- Grid-scale services such as alleviating grid congestion, deferring transmission/distribution upgrades, energy trading and arbitrage, and increasing renewable energy penetration.

## Architecture

The *Zinc8* ESS is designed according to a modular architecture that enables a wide variety of system configurations to be created from a small number of common subsystems. Each subsystem implements a single element of the technology:

- The Zinc Regeneration Subsystem (ZRS) provides the recharging function
- The Fuel Storage Subsystem (FSS) provides the energy storage function
- The Power Generation Subsystem (PGS) provides the discharging function

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## Forward-Looking Information

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*Forward looking statements in this press release include that we will close the settlement agreement with Jared Lazerson and MGX Minerals; that we can execute the development and commercialization of a dependable low cost zinc-air battery; that our mass storage system offers both environmental and efficiency benefits; and that we can help meet the needs for secure and reliable power. Zinc8 Energy Solutions believes the material factors, expectations and assumptions reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable at this time, but no assurance can be given that these factors, expectations and assumptions will prove to be correct. The forward-looking statements included in this news release are not guarantees of*

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