

# Zinc8 Energy Named as a "Best-in-Class" Solution for 2022 PropTech Challenge

VANCOUVER, BC, April 19, 2022 /CNW/ - Zinc8 Energy Solutions Inc. ("**Zinc8**" or the "**Company**") (CSE: ZAIR) (OTC: ZAIRF) (FSE: 0E9) is pleased to announce the Company has been named a "Best-in-Class" solution in the Energy Storage Category for the Real Estate Board of New York's ("REBNY") 2022 PropTech Challenge.

REBNY, New York City's leading real estate trade association, in partnership with New York State Energy Research and Development Authority ("NYSERDA") and Commercial Observer, made the theme of this year's PropTech Challenge "Getting to Carbon Net Zero". The focus was on sustainable developments and ongoing effort by the real estate industry to reduce emissions throughout the built environment. Vendors and technology solution providers from four different categories of sustainability were asked to submit their proposed solutions to a panel of judges with representatives from REBNY, NYSERDA and Commercial Observer. The finalists from each category were invited to present at a live/virtual event in New York City.

"We are proud to be selected as a best-in-class solution for the energy storage category," said Ron MacDonald, President and CEO of Zinc8 Energy Solutions. "Members of the real estate industry in New York are acutely aware of the need to reduce emissions from new and existing infrastructure in anticipation of Local Law 97 and are looking to deploy innovative technologies in an effort to reduce their carbon footprint. We would like to thank the panel for the opportunity to demonstrate our technology solution and network with industry leaders at this important event."

**Zinc8 Energy Solutions** focuses on developing and commercializing its low-cost, long duration ZESS for utilities, microgrid, and Commercial & Industrial markets. By using the patented ZESS as a standalone or an enabling technology, it allows opportunities for peak demand reduction, time-of-use arbitrage, and participation in both the value stacking programs and the distributed long-duration energy storage space, all in conjunction with the opportunity for a significant reduction in carbon footprint. The long duration (8-100+ hours) ZESS has no fire and explosion risk, has no capacity fade over extensive lifetime, and offers complete charge operational flexibility.

**About Zinc8 Energy Solutions Inc.** 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 learn more about Zinc8's technology, please visit: <a href="https://zinc8energy.com">https://zinc8energy.com</a>

## 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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All statements and disclosures, other than those of historical fact, which address activities, events, outcomes, results or developments that Zinc8 Storage anticipates or expects may or will occur in the future (in whole or in part) should be considered forward-looking statements.

Forward looking statements in this press release include 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 future performance. Such forwardlooking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements including, without limitation: that we are not able to raise funds as expected; that our technology fails to work as expected or at all; that our technology proves to be too expensive to implement broadly; that customers do not adapt our products for being too complex, costly, or not fitting with their current products or plans; our competitors may offer better or cheaper solutions for battery storage; general economic, market and business conditions; increased costs and expenses; inability to retain qualified employees; our patents may not provide protection as expected and we may infringe on the patents of others; the completion of our planned private placement or are unable to raise all of the funds we are seeking to raise; and certain other risks detailed from time to time in Zinc8 Energy Solution's public disclosure documents, copies of which are available on the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements contained in this news release are made as of the date hereof and the Company undertakes no obligations to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, unless so required by applicable

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