

PODA Granted US Patent for Closed Bottom Vaporizer Pod

VANCOUVER, BC, Jan. 13, 2022 /CNW/ - **PODA HOLDINGS, INC. ("Poda" or the "Company")** (CSE: PODA) (FSE: 99L) (OTCQB: PODAF) is pleased to announce that it has been granted a US Patent by the US Patent and Trademark Office concerning US Application 16/340,058 for Poda's Closed Bottom Vaporizer Pod. US Patent 11,206,869 B2 was granted on December 28th, 2021.

Mr. Ryan Selby, CEO of the Company, commented, "Receiving this Notice of Issuance is the culmination of a substantial amount of work by Poda and our intellectual property team. The application for this invention was initially filed on March 17th, 2017. After almost five years of dedicated work and substantial financial investments, I am extremely proud to have this valuable patent granted by the US Patent and Trademark Office. With the granting of this US patent, Poda will effectively be the only company that can market a closed-ended heat-not-burn cigarette in the United States. We have already received a granted Canadian patent for this invention, and we now look forward to receiving granted patents for this application in the over 60 additional countries where this application has been filed. We believe this patent has incredible applicability in the global heat-not-burn market, and we look forward to marketing our patented products on a global scale."

On Behalf of the Board,
Ryan Selby
CEO, Director, and Chairman of the Board

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ABOUT PODA HOLDINGS

Poda Holdings, Inc. ("Poda" or the "Company") is actively engaged in the global commercialization of Heat-not-Burn ("HnB") smoking products, which have the potential to reduce the risks associated with combustible smoking products. The Company has developed a patented HnB system that uses proprietary biodegradable single-use pods, which are both consumer and environmentally friendly. The innovative design of the Company's HnB platform prevents cross-contamination between the heating devices and the pods, eliminating all cleaning requirements and providing users with the most convenient and enjoyable potentially-reduced-risk smoking experience. Poda's HnB system is fully patented in Canada and is patent pending in over 60 additional countries, covering almost 70% of the global population. The Company's Poda Pods are the first and only cigarettes to have a completely closed end. This exclusive design eliminates all cleaning requirements and provides a truly ashless HnB cigarette. Poda's fully patented system is one of a kind and solves the major pain-point that other HnB products suffer from: daily cleaning requirements. The Company's flagship **Beyond Burn™** Poda Pods contain a unique tobacco-free blend of pelletized tea leaves infused with synthetic nicotine, which provides adult smokers with a smoke-free alternative to their regular habit without sacrificing satisfaction. **Beyond Burn™** Poda Pods have been expertly crafted to mimic the sensorial experience of traditional cigarettes without the smoke, without the smell, and without the tobacco.

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