

VANCOUVER, June 19, 2017 /CNW/ - Leading Edge Materials Corp. ("Leading Edge Materials") or (the "Company") (TSXV:LEM) (OTCQB: LEMIF) is pleased to announce results from the final six holes drilled at the Company's 100% owned Bergby lithium project in Sweden. Results were again strongly positive, and include two new near surface intersections that exceed 16m in thickness at greater than 1% Li₂O (lithium oxide).

With this final set of drill data from the first drill program completed at Bergby, lithium mineralization is known to extend for more than 600m along strike, and remains open in all directions. Preparations are now underway for an expanded second drill program starting Q3 2017.

Key Results:

- BBY17013 intersected 1.05m @ 0.68% Li₂O (lithium oxide) from 8.00m depth
- BBY17014 intersected 6.40m @ 0.64% Li₂O from 18.85m depth
- BBY17015 intersected 16.35m @ 1.00% Li₂O, 129ppm Ta₂O₅ (tantalum oxide) from 15.75m depth
- BBY17016 intersected 18.80m @ 1.14% Li₂O, 101ppm Ta₂O₅ (tantalum oxide) from 17.75m depth
- BBY17017 intersected 1.25m @ 0.59% Li₂O from 12.25m depth
- BBY17018 did not intersect the targeted pegmatite and was unmineralized

A full set of drilling data is provided in Tables 1 and 2, and presented as Figure 1. A cross section of selected drill holes is provided as Figure 2 to show continuity of mineralization.

Blair Way, President and CEO, stated "The first Bergby drilling program comprising only 18 holes has delivered excellent lithium and tantalum results, and Bergby now ranks as a very significant lithium occurrence in the Nordic region. The high hit rate of high grade lithium so near surface over a 600m strike is impressive, and sets us up for an immediate follow up drilling program.

We are now preparing for additional drilling to test the along strike and down dip extension of lithium mineralization. This program will also collect adequate sample for the first round of mineral processing test work. Additional surface work shall also be completed to better understand the prospectivity of the Bergby area."

Bergby lies in central Sweden, 25km north of the town of Gavle, secured by three exploration licenses that cover a total of 1,903 Ha. The site is close to infrastructure, with major roads, rail and power supply passing immediately adjacent to the claim boundaries. The potential for low cost and rapid development is significantly enhanced by the presence of a deep-water port only 5km from the site.

The true thickness of mineralized intervals is interpreted to be approximately 90% of the sampled thickness.

Europe is playing a leading role in the transition to low-carbon energy generation from renewable sources, and the efficient storage of that energy. Electric mobility (EV's, HEV, PHEV's) and stationary electricity storage are dependent on high purity graphite, lithium and cobalt, where Leading Edge Materials is an active European player. Lithium has a strong and expanding market, due to the essential role it plays in lithium-based batteries for the automotive, consumer product and stationary electrify storage industries. The high electrochemical potential of lithium results in the high power to weight ratio that is essential for efficient mobile batteries.

On behalf of the Board,

"Blair Way"
Blair Way, President & CEO

Samples submitted by [Leading Edge Materials Corp.](#) were prepared and analyzed by the ME-MS89L technique by ALS Ltd's laboratories in either Pitea, Sweden, Loughrea, Ireland and/or Vancouver, Canada, where duplicates, repeats, blanks and known standards were inserted according to standard industry practice.

The qualified person for the Company's exploration projects, Mark Saxon, Director of Leading Edge Materials and a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, has reviewed and verified the contents of this release.

About Leading Edge Materials:

Leading Edge Materials is a Canadian public company with principal assets in Scandinavia, a region well recognised for its promotion and investment in innovation. The Company's flagship asset is the Woxna Graphite production facility located in central Sweden targeting the supply of specialty materials for lithium ion battery production. Leading Edge Materials' core investments are matched to high growth markets, linked to the global shift to low-carbon energy generation and energy storage.

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Table 1: Drill collars locations and orientations, Bergby Project. Drilling was conducted with "Wireline 56" equipment proving core with a diameter of 39mm.

Hole_ID	Easting SWEREF	Northing SWEREF	Elevation RH2000	Azimuth	Dip	Length
BBY17001	612902	6760564	35	295	45	54.80m
BBY17002	612881	6760582	35	0	90	14.80m
BBY17003	612872	6760590	35	0	90	16.45m
BBY17004	612864	6760597	35	0	90	17.90m
BBY17005	612877	6760609	35	0	90	17.95m
BBY17006	612866	6760613	35	0	90	27.00m
BBY17007	612886	6760604	35	0	90	12.00m
BBY17008	612886	6760627	35	0	90	14.75m
BBY17009	612874	6760697	37	115	60	50.20m
BBY17010	612818	6760609	35	115	60	50.30m
BBY17011	612864	6760563	35	0	90	14.40m
BBY17012	612875	6760555	35	0	90	11.35m
BBY17013	612877	6760518	35	255	75	17.40m
BBY17014	612787	6760513	35	115	45	40.80m
BBY17015	612756	6760417	35	115	50	50.00m
BBY17016	612700	6760333	35	115	60	44.30m
BBY17017	612679	6760219	35	115	70	29.30m
BBY17018	612604	6760114	35	115	50	50.20m

Table 2: Mineralized intervals from 18 drill holes, Bergby Project

Hole Number	FROM (m)	TO (m)	WIDTH (m)	Li2O%	Ta2O5 ppm
BBY17001	4.85	6.30	1.45	0.77	31
BBY17002	0.00	3.95	3.95	1.83	163
BBY17003	2.85	11.05	8.20	2.06	118
BBY17004	10.20	12.10	1.90	2.26	74
BBY17005	2.20	12.65	10.45	1.58	107
BBY17006	11.55	16.00	4.45	1.44	50
BBY17007	1.40	6.05	4.65	2.71	315
BBY17008	1.10	9.85	8.75	2.63	186
BBY17009	14.80	16.00	1.20	2.68	12
BBY17009	24.55	25.65	1.10	2.44	49
BBY17010	27.55	36.35	8.80	1.11	98
BBY17011	0.70	7.50	6.8	1.87	191
BBY17012	2.25	3.90	1.65	1.14	25
BBY17013	8.00	9.05	1.05	0.68	8
BBY17014	18.80	25.25	6.45	0.63	48
BBY17015	15.75	32.10	16.35	1.00	129
BBY17016	17.90	36.75	18.80	1.14	101
BBY17017	12.25	13.50	1.25	0.59	2
BBY17018	No significant mineralization				

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