

Itafos Announces Issuance of Shares to Lenders Pursuant to Amended and Restated Credit and Guaranty Agreement

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TORONTO, Jan. 31, 2020 - [Itafos](#) (TSX VENTURE: IFOS) (the "Company") announced today that, following receipt of the necessary approvals from the TSX Venture Exchange, it has issued five million shares (the "Shares") of the Company to its lenders pursuant to the amended and restated credit and guaranty agreement dated December 31, 2019 (the "A&R Credit Agreement"). As previously announced, the Shares were issued in exchange for, among other things, eliminating additional interest of 1% per annum payable in cash for each quarter that the Company's Consolidated Secured Leverage Ratio is equal to or greater than 4.00:1.00 at the end of such quarter.

Lenders to the A&R Credit Agreement include funds managed by BlackRock and a syndicate of other lenders including CL Fertilizers Holding LLC ("CLF"). Of the Shares, CLF received 812,506 shares of the Company based on its pro-rata debt holding under the A&R Credit Agreement. CLF is a "related party" to the Company under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions* ("MI 61-101") by virtue of its shareholding being in excess of 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding share capital. Accordingly, the issuance of the Shares constitutes a "related party transaction" under MI 61-101. The issuance is exempt from (i) the formal valuation requirements under Section 5.4 of MI 61-101 pursuant to Subsection 5.5(b) of MI 61-101; and (ii) the minority approval requirements under Section 5.6 of MI 61-101 pursuant to Subsection 5.7(1)(a).

In accordance with United States securities legislation, the Shares are subject to resale restrictions pursuant to a "distribution compliance period" (as defined in Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended) of one year from the date the Shares were issued. Concurrently, in accordance with applicable Canadian securities legislation and TSX Venture Exchange requirements, the Shares are subject to a statutory hold period of four months plus a day from the date the Shares were issued.

About Itafos

The Company is a vertically integrated phosphate fertilizers and specialty products company with an attractive portfolio of long-term strategic businesses and projects located in key fertilizer markets worldwide.

The Company owns, operates and is developing the following businesses and projects:

- [Itafos Conda](#) – a vertically integrated phosphate mine and fertilizer business with production and sales capacity of approximately 550kt per year of monoammonium phosphate ("MAP"), MAP with micronutrients ("MAP+"), superphosphoric acid ("SPA"), merchant grade phosphoric acid ("MGA") and specialty products including ammonium polyphosphate ("APP") located in Idaho, US;
- [Itafos Arraias](#) – a phosphate fertilizer business with production and sales capacity of approximately 500kt per year of single superphosphate ("SSP"), SSP with micronutrients ("SSP+"), premium PK compounds and approximately 40kt per year of excess sulfuric acid located in Tocantins, Brazil;
- [Itafos Farim](#) – a high-grade phosphate mine project located in Farim, Guinea-Bissau;
- [Itafos Paris Hills](#) – a high-grade phosphate mine project located in Idaho, US;
- [Itafos Santana](#) – a vertically integrated high-grade phosphate mine and fertilizer plant project located in Pará, Brazil;
- [Itafos Mantaro](#) – a large phosphate mine project located in Junin, Peru; and
- [Itafos Araxá](#) – a vertically integrated rare earth elements and niobium mine and extraction plant project located in Minas Gerais, Brazil.

For more information, or to join the Company's mailing list to receive notification of future news releases, please visit the Company's website, www.ltafos.com.

Forward Looking Information

Certain information contained in this news release constitutes forward looking information. All information other than information of historical fact is forward looking information. The use of any of the words "intend", "anticipate", "plan", "continue", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "should", "would", "believe", "predict" and "potential" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward looking information. This information involves 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 information. No assurance can be given that this information will prove to be correct and such forward looking information included in this news release should not be unduly relied upon.

Forward looking information is subject to a number of risks and other factors that could cause actual results and events to vary materially from that anticipated by such forward looking information. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. Factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from expected results described in forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those risk factors set out in the Company's Management Discussion and Analysis and other disclosure documents available under the Company's profile at www.sedar.com. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list of risks, uncertainties and assumptions are not exhaustive. The forward-looking information included in this news release is expressly qualified by this cautionary statement and is made as of the date of this news release. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking information except as required by applicable securities laws.

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