

# American Manganese Receives Notice of Allowance from Japanese Patent Office

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Japanese Patent to Join U.S. and Korean Patents in AMY Battery Recycling Portfolio

Remaining National Phase Patent Applications include China, Europe, Australia, India, and Canada

SURREY, June 30, 2021 - [American Manganese Inc.](#) ("AMY" or the "Company") (TSXV:AMY)(OTCQB:AMYZF)(FSE:2AM) is pleased to announce that the Japanese Patent Office has issued the Company a Notice of Allowance with respect to AMY's National Phase Patent Application for its lithium-ion battery recycling technology, RecycLiCo&#8482;. The Notice of Allowance is a formal notification indicating that the examination of the invention has been completed by the Japanese Patent Office and is allowed for issuance as a patent. The Company's attorney will be completing documentation and submitting fees for formal issuance of the Japanese patent.

AMY's RecycLiCo&#8482; process includes key aspects such as:

- Treatment of several cathode chemistries such as lithium cobalt oxide (LCO), lithium nickel manganese cobalt oxide (NMC), and lithium nickel cobalt aluminum oxide (NCA).
- Methods for achieving 100% extraction of cobalt, nickel, manganese, aluminum for all cathode chemistries tested.
- Method for achieving 100% lithium extraction by a novel locked cycle process.

"We are currently in a booming age of battery-related innovation," said Larry Reaugh, President and CEO of American Manganese, "and Japanese companies, such as Panasonic, Sony, Toyota, Nissan, and Hitachi, stand out as world leaders in battery innovation, alongside Korean companies such as LG Chem, Samsung SDI, and SK Innovation. For AMY to receive a Notice of Allowance from the Japanese Patent Office and be issued a Korean Patent earlier this year are significant achievements that put a spotlight on our RecycLiCo&#8482; process on the battery world stage."

The Japanese Patent, when issued formally, will join patents already issued to AMY by the patent offices of the United States (U.S. Patent No. 10246343 and U.S. Patent No. 10308523) and South Korea (Patent No. 10-2246670). The Company has also filed National Phase Patent Applications for China, Europe, Australia, India, and Canada.

"I have always stressed the importance of a patent portfolio because of its respected validation process, transparency, added core value, and recognition," Mr. Reaugh added.

About American Manganese Inc.

[American Manganese Inc.](#) is a critical metals company focused on the recycling of lithium-ion batteries with the RecycLiCo&#8482; patented process. The RecycLiCo&#8482; patented process was developed to offer a closed-loop and environmentally friendly solution for the recycling of cathode materials used in lithium-ion batteries. The recycling process provides high extraction and purity of cathode metals, such as lithium, cobalt, nickel, manganese, and aluminum. The RecycLiCo&#8482; process was designed with the goal to produce recycled battery products that could be seamlessly and directly integrated into the re-manufacturing of battery cathodes using minimal processing steps.

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