Aclara Awarded as Sustainability Initiative of the Year

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TORONTO, September 6, 2022 - <u>Aclara Resources Inc.</u> ("Aclara" or the "Company") (TSX:ARA) is pleased to announce that the Business Intelligence Group has designated Aclara as one of the receivers of this year's Sustainability Initiative of the Year award, in the 2022 Sustainability Awards program. The Sustainability Awards honor those organizations who have made sustainability an integral part of their business practice or overall mission.

"We are proud to reward and recognize Aclara Resources for their sustainability efforts," said Maria Jimenez, Chief Nominations Officer, Business Intelligence Group. "It was clear to our judges that their vision and strategy will continue to deliver results toward a cleaner, more sustainable world. Congratulations!"

Ramon Barua, Aclara's CEO, commented: "We are glad to be recognized with the Sustainability Initiative of the Year award, as it reflects the efforts that the Company is carrying out in order to be the cleanest Heavy Rare Earths supplier in the world. We have developed a clean and simple process around our unique ionic clays deposit that allows us to extract its valuable rare earths sustainably. There are no explosives, no crushing, no milling, and no tailings dam. Our main reagent is a fertilizer, which will be recovered and reused during the process, with an efficiency close to 99%. And most importantly, we do not generate any liquid or solid wastes. Our product is 100% free of radioactivity. On top of that, we will have very low water consumption and will recirculate up to 95% of water used in the process. Finally, we will revegetate all extraction areas with native species, seeking to preserve and rehabilitate natural forests. We believe that being able to produce clean rare earths in Chile is our main competitive advantage. At Aclara, we are moved by creating environmental wealth in everything we do"

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About Aclara

Aclara is a development-stage rare earth mineral resources company located in Chile. Aclara is initiating the development of its resources through a project called the Penco Module (the "Penco Module"), which covers a surface area of approximately 600 hectares and which has ionic clays that are rich in rare earth elements. Aclara is currently focused on the development and on the future construction and operation of the Penco Module, which will aim to produce a rare earth concentrate through a processing plant that will be fed by clays from nearby deposits. Aclara's unique extraction process offers several advantages such as: no blasting, crushing or milling required; no tailings dam; minimal water consumption due to a high level of water recirculation; amenable leaching with a fertilizer; and no radioactivity.

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