Sigma Lithium Files Ni 43-101 Technical Report For Production Expansion Supporting The **Previously Announced 60% Increase In Mineral** Reserves And Us\$ 15.3 Billion Npv

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as fol	ter-Tax Earnings llows:	\$1,233	\$2,682	\$650	the Project		
%	After-Tax Earnings Margin	79 %	76 %	65 %	to 54.8		
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VA	ANCOUVER, Jan. 19, 2023 - SIGMA Lithium Corp.	("Sigma	Lithium" d	or the "Compa	ın∰") (NASDAQ: SGI	ML. TSXV: SO	

dedicated to powering the next generation of electric vehicles with environmentally and socially sustainable high-purity reports that it has filed a technical report titled "Grota do Cirilo Lithium Project Araçuaí and Itinga Regions, Minas Gerai Updated Technical Report" (the "Production Expansion Technical Report") outlining prediminary feasibility study support news release dated December 4, 2022 news release dated December 4, 2022.

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Refer to Tables 1 to 3 below for additional details regarding the economic results and upstated mineral reserve and reserve estimates of the Production Expansion Technical Report.

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Table 1: Combined Project Economic Analysis

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Base Case	5.5% Li2O					
Economic Analysis						
After-Tax Net Present Value (@ 8% Discount Rate)	US\$15.3 Billion					
Payback Period	1 month					
Revenues, Cash Flow and Capex						
Project Operating Life	13 years					
Battery Grade Sustainable Lithium Run-Rate Production	766,000 tpa					
Lithium Carbonate Equivalent Run-Rate Production	104,200 tpa LCE					
Average Annual Revenue During Project Operating Life	US\$2.5 Billion					
Average Annual After-Tax Free Cash Flow During Project Operating Life	US\$1.8 Billion					
Costs per tonne of Lithium Concentrate						
Total Cash Cost at Production	US\$401/t					
All-in Sustaining Cost (CIF China)	US\$523/t					
Phase 1 Lithium Recovery Rate (DMS)	65.0 %					
Phase 2 Lithium Recovery Rate (DMS)	57.9 %					
Phase 3 Lithium Recovery Rate (DMS)	50.6 %					
Integrated Costs (per tonne of lithium concentrate)						
Mining costs	US\$215/t					
Greentech Plant Processing costs	US\$53/t					
G&A costs	US\$22/t					
Transportation costs (Mine to CIF China)	US\$120/t					
Spodumene Ore Mined Feedstock for Greentech Plant						
Total quantity mined (plant feed) 54.8						
Annual average run of mine (ROM) plant feed during Project Operating Life 4.2 Mtpa						

Table 2: Updated Consolidated Project Mineral Reserves

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Consolidated Project Mineral Reserves

Cut-off Grade		Category	Tonnes	Grade	Contained				
(% Li ₂ O)			(Mt)	(% Li ₂ O)	LCE (kt)				
0.5 %		Proven	27.4	1.44 %	979				
0.5 %		Probable	27.3	1.43 %	962				
0.5 %		Proven & Probable	54.8	1.44 %	1,941				
Note:	:								
1.	Mineral Reserves were estimated using Geovia Whittle 4.3 software and following the economic parameters listed below:								
2.	Sale price for Lithium concentrate at 6% Li2O = US\$1,500/t concentrate FOB Mine (Xuxa and Barreiro); US\$3,500/t concentrate FOB Mine (NDC).								
3.	Mining costs: US\$2.20/t mined (Xuxa); US\$2.19/t (Barreiro); US\$2.43/t mined (NDC).								
4.	Processing costs: US\$10.7/t ore milled (Xuxa, Barreiro and NDC).								
5.	G&A: US\$4.00/t ROM (run of mine) (Xuxa, Barreiro and NDC).								
6.	Exchange rate US\$1.00 = R\$5.00 (Xuxa and Barreiro); R\$5.30 (NDC).								
7.	Mineral Reserves are the economic portion of the Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources.								
8.	82.5% Mine Recovery and 3.75% Mine Dilution (Xuxa); 95% Mine Recovery and 3% Mine Dilution (Barreiro); 94% Mine Recovery and 3% Mine Dilution (NDC)								
9.	Final slope angle: 34° to 72° (Xuxa); 35° to 55° (Barreiro); 35° to 52° (NDC) based on Geotechnical Document presented in Section 16.								
10.	Strip Ratio = 16.6 t/t waste/mineral reserve (NDC); 12.5 t/t waste/mineral reserve (NDC); 16.0 t/t waste/mineral reserve (NDC).								
11.	Mineral Reserves have been classified using the 2014 CIM Definition Standards. The Qualified Person for the estimate is Porfírio Cabaleiro Rodriguez, BSc. (MEng), FAIG, an employee of GE21.								
12.	The estimate of Mineral Reserves may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political, marketing, or other relevant issues.								
Table	3: Upda	ted Consolidated Pr	oiect Mir	neral Res	ources				

Table 3: Updated Consolidated Project Mineral Resources

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Upda	ted Cons	solidated Project Miner	al Resou	ırces					
Cut-off Grade		Category	Tonnes	Grade	Contained				
(% Li ₂ O)			(Mt)	(% Li ₂ O)	LCE (kt)				
0.5 %		Measured	37.1	1.43 %	1,312				
0.5 %		Indicated	39.9	1.43 %	1,411				
0.5 %		Measured & Indicated	77.0	1.43 %	2,723				
0.5 %	, D	Inferred	8.6	1.43 %	304				
Note:									
1.	Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. Inferred mineral resources are exclusive of the Measured and Indicated resources.								
2.	Mineral Resources have an effective date of October 31, 2022 and have been classified using the 2014 CIM Definition Standards. The Qualified Person for the estimate is Mr. Marc-Antoine Laporte, P.Geo., an SGS Canada employee.								
3.	Mineral Resources are reported assuming open pit mining methods, and the following assumptions: lithium concentrate (6% Li2O) price of US\$1,500/t, mining costs of US\$2.20/t for mineralization and waste, crushing and processing costs of US\$10.70/t, general and administrative (G&A) costs of US\$4.00/t, metallurgical DMS recovery of 60%, 2% royalty payment, pit slope angles of 55°, and an overall cut-off grade of 0.5%								

4. All Resources are presented undiluted and in situ, constrained by continuous 3D wireframe models, and are considered to have reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction.

5. Tonnages and grades have been rounded in accordance with reporting guidelines. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

6. The estimate of Mineral Resources may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political, marketing, or other relevant issues.

7. Mineral Resources are inclusive of Mineral Reserves

The Updated Technical Report is available on SEDAR (www.sedar.com), EDGAR (www.sec.gov) and the Company's corporate website. The Updated Technical Report was issued on January 16, 2023. The Updated Technical Report was prepared for Sigma Lithium by: Homero Delboni Jr., MAusIMM, Promon Engenharia; Marc-Antoine Laporte, P.Geo, SGS Canada Inc; Jarrett Quinn, P.Eng., Primero Group Americas; Porfirio Cabaleiro Rodriguez, (MEng), FAIG, GE21 Consultoria Mineral; and Noel O'Brien, B.E., MBA, F AusIMM.

QUALIFIED PERSONS

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The technical and scientific information related to geology and mineral resource estimates in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Marc-Antoine Laporte P.Geo., M.Sc., of SGS. Mr. Laporte is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and is independent of Sigma Lithium.

The mining and mineral reserve estimates in this news release have been reviewed and approved by Porfirio Cabaleiro Rodriguez P.Eng, Mining Engineer of GE21 Consultoria Mineral Brazil. Mr. Rodriguez is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and is independent of Sigma Lithium.

The financial information in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Noel O'Brien B.E., MBA, F AusIMM, who is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and is independent of Sigma Lithium.

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ABOUT SIGMA LITHIUM

Sigma Lithium (NASDAQ: SGML, TSXV: SGML) is a company dedicated to powering the next generation of electric vehicle batteries with environmentally sustainable and high-purity lithium.

Sigma Lithium has been at the forefront of environmental and social sustainability in the EV battery materials supply chain and it is currently commissioning its wholly owned Grota do Cirilo Project in Brazil. The Project is expected to produce 766,000 tonnes annually (or 104,200 LCE annually) of battery grade sustainable lithium concentrate in a state of the art Greentech lithium plant that uses 100% renewable energy, 100% recycled water and 100% dry-stacked tailings.

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