Lithium South Development Corporation: Preliminary Economic Assessment Filed on SEDAR

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VANCOUVER, April 30, 2024 - <u>Lithium South Development Corp.</u> (the "Company" or "Lithium South") (TSX-V: LIS) (OT LISMF) (Frankfurt: OGPQ) is pleased to announce it has today filed on SEDAR plus, its Preliminary Economic Assessr ("PEA report") following the summary results previously announced March 03, 2024. The report titled, N.I. 43-101 Preliminary Economic Assessment Hombre Muerto North Lithium Project, Salta, Argentina, was completed by Knight Piesold Cons JDS Energy and Mining Inc., both industry leading independent engineering consulting firms.

The PEA Report provides support for Lithium South to proceed with development plans for a 15,600 tonnes per year lit carbonate plant, located at its wholly owned, Hombre Muerto North Lithium Project ("HMN Li Project") in Salta, Argentir extraction and recovery process for the project is based on conventional solar evaporation of the well brine, magnesiun with slaked lime and lithium carbonate precipitation using soda ash, which is an industrial proven method of lithium produced.

The financial model shows a Net Present Value after tax of US\$938 million, an after-tax Internal Rate of Return of 31.6 2.5-year payback.

Company Founder President and CEO, Adrian F. C. Hobkirk is quoted, "We are very pleased to have achieved this impedience for the HMN Li Project. The robust economics and room for expansion indicate a promising future for Lithium

About Lithium South

Lithium South owns 100% of the HMN Li Project located in Salta and Catamarca Provinces, Argentina, in the heart of the triangle. The Salar del Hombre Muerto has a history of lithium production, with Arcadium Lithium (as a result of the Alke Livent merger) in operation for over twenty-five years, in an area just south of the HMN Li Project. The HMN Li Project is surrounded by a US\$4 billion lithium development under construction by POSCO (Korea) and the Sal de Vida Project of development by Arcadium. Exploration work to date has delineated a National Instrument 43-101 compliant 1,583,200 Lithium Carbonate Equivalent ("LCE") Resource (Note 1) on the Alba Sabrina, Natalia Maria, and Tramo claim blocks, five non-contiguous blocks that make up the HMN Lithium Project. With pumping well installation underway, Lithium Soltransitioning from being a lithium explorer to becoming a lithium developer.

Qualified Person Statements

Peter Ehren is an independent Lithium Consultant. He has more than two decades of experience in the industry. He state interest in the lithium business during his master's thesis at Technical University of the Delft where he investigated for E Minerals the recovery of lithium from geothermal brine (Salton Sea), applying a Direct Lithium Extraction ("DLE") technical the recovery of lithium from geothermal brine (Salton Sea), applying a Direct Lithium Extraction ("DLE") technical thesis he worked for SQM as a process engineer and R&D manager till 2007. Since 2007 he started to work a independent consultant in the lithium, boron and potassium industry. He is a world expert in solar evaporation systems, chemistry and process developments. Additionally, his experience covers product applications, OPEX and CAPEX estiprocess simulations, engineering, R&D and product development. He has worked in lithium basins and production facility worldwide. He is a Chartered Professional (AusIMM) and QP for NI 43-101 and JORC.

Dr. Mark King, Ph.D., F.G.C., P.Geo., of Groundwater Insight, Inc., is the QP for resource estimation components of the such term is defined by NI 43-101. Dr. King has extensive experience in salar environments and has been a QP on nur lithium brine projects, ranging from early exploration to production. Dr. King is independent from the Company and has and approved the technical information mentioned in this press release.

Richard Goodwin, P.Eng., Project Manager for JDS Energy and Mining, Inc., is independent of Lithium South and a QF

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defined under Canadian National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Goodwin is a mining engineer and study manager with over 3 experience managing mining operation and projects in various commodities such as base metals, precious metals, PG diamonds in various domestic and international locations. Mr. Goodwin is responsible for the PEA results, participated the production of this press release, and directly related information in this press release, and approves of the technica scientific disclosure contained herein.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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Note 1: A report titled, Updated Mineral Resource Estimate - Hombre Muerto North Project, NI 43-101 Technical Report Catamarca and Salta, Argentina, Mark King, PhD, PGeo, Peter Ehren, M.Sc, MAuslMM, September 5th, 2023.

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