Almonty Announces Filing of Updated NI 43-101 Technical Report for the Sangdong Mine and the Re-classification of its Material Mineral Properties

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Almonty Industries Inc. ("Almonty" or the "Company") (TSX: AII) (ASX: AII) (OTCQX: ALMTF) (Frankfurt: ALI), a leading global producer of tungsten concentrate, is pleased to announce that it has filed an updated technical report (the "Technical Report") for its Sangdong Tungsten Mine (the "Sangdong Mine") prepared in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101").

The Technical Report is entitled "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Mineral Resources and Reserves of the Sangdong Project, South Korea", dated June 23, 2025 and effective February 28, 2025, and has been authored by Adam Wheeler, B.Sc, M.Sc, C. Eng. (the "Qualified Person"), an independent expert and a "qualified person" within the meaning of NI 43?101. The Technical Report is not required to be prepared pursuant to NI 43-101 and was voluntarily prepared to update the technical report entitled "Report NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Mineral Resources and Reserves of the Sangdong Project, South Korea", dated July 31, 2016 and authored by the Qualified Person, and reflects recent developments at the Sangdong Mine, including with regards to mine development, to enhance the public disclosure about the Sangdong Mine. The Technical Report has been filed on SEDAR+ and can be accessed under the Company's profile at www.sedarplus.ca and on the Company's website at www.almonty.com.

As detailed in the Technical Report, the current mine and processing plant construction of Phase I of the Sangdong Mine is expected to begin production in the second half of 2025. Once fully operational, the targeted ore throughput capacity is expected to reach around 640,000 tons per year. The Company expects to increase its throughput capacity up to 1.2 million tons through the Phase II planned expansion. This expansion is fully permitted under existing Phase I approvals, and during the development of Phase I, some components have been built which may support a higher throughput or expansion. It is expected that, subject to positive operating results from Phase I and prevailing market conditions, Phase II could be advanced as early as 2026. This would involve initiating detailed engineering and permitting activities, followed by potential construction and commissioning. If Phase II is advanced in 2026, it is expected that first ore production under Phase II could commence in 2027. The Phase II expansion is expected to unlock economies of scale and support margin enhancement. Advancement to Phase II is contingent upon a formal decision following the evaluation of Phase I performance.

The Company has also conducted a reassessment of its mining portfolio and has concluded that, on the basis of its current strategy, including management's focus and the deployment of resources on the Sangdong Mine and the expected economic importance to the Company of the expected production at the Phase I relative to its other properties, as well as the expected timing and significant potential production increase of Phase II, the Sangdong Mine is the only mineral project on a property that is material to the Company for the purposes of NI 43-101. The Company remains engaged in the operation and development of other mineral properties, including the Panasqueira Mine (Portugal) and the Sangdong Molybdenum Project (South Korea).

For more details about the Sangdong Mine, shareholders should carefully review the Technical Report.

Notes Regarding Scientific and Technical Information

The scientific and technical information contained in this news release relating to the Sangdong Mine has been reviewed and approved by Adam Wheeler, B.Sc, M.Sc, C. Eng., an independent expert and "qualified person" within the meaning of NI 43?101.

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ASX Listing Rules and ASX Listing Rule 5.12.9 Cautionary Statement

The Company advises that, for the purposes of the ASX Listing Rules, all mineral resources and ore reserves contained in the Technical Report are "foreign estimates" and are not reported in accordance with the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Minerals Resources and Ore Reserves (2012) (the "JORC Code").

Although the Company notes that Mr Wheeler (who is also a Competent Person within the meaning of the JORC Code) previously prepared a JORC-compliant Technical Assessment Report for the Sangdong Project dated 31 December 2020 and this was included in the Company's prospectus dated 8 June 2021 (the "JORC Compliant Technical Report"), the JORC Compliant Technical Report does not include the current assumptions, parameters and methods included in the Technical Report. As such:

- a competent person has not done sufficient work to classify the updated foreign estimates contained in the Technical Report as mineral resources or reserves in accordance with the JORC Code; and
- it is uncertain that following evaluation and/or further exploration work that the updated foreign estimates contained in the Technical Report will be able to be reported as mineral resources or ore reserves in accordance with the JORC Code.

Information required pursuant to ASX Listing Rules 5.12, 5.16 and 5.17 is included in Annexure A of this announcement.

About Almonty

Almonty is a diversified and experienced global producer of tungsten concentrate in conflict-free regions. The Company is currently mining, processing and shipping tungsten concentrate from its Panasqueira Mine in Portugal. Its Sangdong Mine in Gangwon Province, South Korea is currently under construction. The Sangdong Mine was historically one of the largest tungsten mines in the world and one of the few long-life, high-grade tungsten deposits outside of China, Almonty also has a significant molybdenum resource on a separate property adjacent to the tungsten orebody at the Sangdong Mine. Additional development projects include the Valtreixal Project in northwestern Spain and Los Santos Mine in western Spain. Further information about Almonty's activities may be found at www.almonty.com and under Almonty's profile at www.sedarplus.ca and www.asx.com.au.

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certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements concerning the Sangdong Mine, including the expected beginning of production at the Sangdong Mine, the throughput capacity during Phase I and Phase II, and the potential commissioning and development of Phase II, as well as its potential benefits for Almonty.

Forward-looking statements are based upon certain assumptions and other important factors that, if untrue, could cause actual results to be materially different from future results expressed or implied by such statements. There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate. Key assumptions upon which the Company's forward-looking information is based include, without limitation, the absence of material adverse changes in its industry or the global economy including interest rate fluctuations, inflationary pressures, supply chain disruptions, and commodity market volatility, trends in its industry and markets, including the competitive environment, the ability of the Company to maintain its interests in its mineral projects, including with respect to title, access, and permitting matters, the Company's ability to manage risks normally incidental to the exploration, development and operation of mineral properties, the Company's ability to maintain good business relationships with key stakeholders, including customers, suppliers, lenders, regulators, and local communities, the Company's ability to manage potential uncertainties in the interpretation of geological data, drill results and market data, including data related to pricing trends, demand forecasts, and competitive positioning, the Company's ability to manage the possibility that future exploration, development or mining results may not be consistent with its expectations, the accuracy of the Company's mineral resource and reserve estimates and their underlying assumptions, including with respect to cut-off grades, recovery rates, and long-term commodity prices, the adequacy and availability of infrastructure (including power, water, roads, and processing capacity) at or near the mineral properties, the timely receipt and maintenance of necessary governmental and third-party approvals, permits, licenses, authorizations and regulatory compliance obligations, the Company's ability to comply with current and future environmental, health and safety, and other regulatory requirements and to timely obtain and maintain required regulatory approvals, licenses and permits, the Company's expectation that its operations will not be significantly disrupted as a result of political instability, pandemics and communicable diseases, nationalization, terrorism, sabotage, social or political activism, breakdown, natural disasters, governmental or political actions, litigation or arbitration proceedings, equipment or infrastructure failure, labour shortages, transportation disruptions or accidents, or other development or exploration risks, the Company's ability to execute construction and development activities on schedule and within budget, the Company's ability to recruit, retain and engage qualified personnel and contractors in all required jurisdictions, the Company's ability to raise sufficient debt or equity financing to support its continued growth, the Company's ability to continue to have sufficient working capital to fund its operations, the performance of counterparties under offtake agreements, supply arrangements, financing agreements, and other material contracts, that input costs, including energy, labor, equipment, and materials, will not increase materially beyond current expectations, that the price of tungsten and other metals and commodities will not decline significantly or for a protracted period of time, that the global financial markets and general economic conditions (including trade and monetary policies, currency exchange rates and rates of inflation) will be stable and conducive to business in the future, the Company's ability to maintain the security and integrity of its information technology systems and mitigate the impact of any potential cybersecurity threats and the Company's ability to meet increasing expectations regarding environmental, social and governance (ESG) matters from regulators, investors, and other stakeholders.

Forward-looking statements are also subject to risks and uncertainties facing the Company's business, any of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition, results of operations and growth prospects. Readers should consider reviewing the detailed risk discussion in the Company's most recent Annual Information Form and the Company's Amended Management Discussion and Analysis for the three months ended March 31, 2025 filed on SEDAR+, for a fuller understanding of the risks and uncertainties that affect the Company's business and operations.

Although Almonty has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results, level of activity, performance or achievements not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate and even if events or results described in the forward-looking statements are realized or substantially realized, there can be no assurance that they will have the expected consequences to, or effects on, Almonty. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements and are cautioned that actual outcomes may vary.

Investors are cautioned against attributing undue certainty to forward-looking statements. Almonty cautions that the foregoing list of material factors is not exhaustive. When relying on Almonty's forward-looking

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statements and information to make decisions, investors and others should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other uncertainties and potential events. Almonty has also assumed that material factors will not cause any forward-looking statements and information to differ materially from actual results or events. However, the list of these factors is not exhaustive and is subject to change and there can be no assurance that such assumptions will reflect the actual outcome of such items or factors.

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Annexure A - Information required by ASX Listing Rules 5.12, 5.16 and 5.17

ASX Listing Rule

5.10 - An entity reporting historical estimates or foreign estimates of mineralisation in relation to a material mining project to the public is not required to comply with ASX Listing Rule (LR) 5.6 provided the entity complies with rules 5.12, 5.13 and 5.14.

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5.11 - An entity must not include historical estimates or foreign estimates (other than qualifying foreign estimates) of mineralisation in an economic analysis (including a scoping study, preliminary feasibility study, estimates) or a feasibility study) of the entity's mineral resources and ore reserves holdings.

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5.12.3 - The relevance and materiality of the historical estimates or foreign estimates to the entity.

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5.12.4 - The reliability of the historical estimates or foreign estimates, including by reference to any of the criteria in Table 1 of Appendix 5A (JORC Code) which are relevant to understanding the reliability of the historical estimates or foreign estimates. 5.12.5 - To the extent known, a summary of the work programs on which the historical estimates or foreign estimates are based and a summary of the key assumptions, mining and processing parameters and methods used to prepare the historical estimates or foreign estimates. 5.12.6 - Any more recent estimates or data relevant to the reported mineralisation available to the entity. and a comment on how the entity intends to fund that work.

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5.12.7 - The evaluation and/or exploration work that needs to be completed to verify the historical estimates The updat or foreign estimates as mineral resources or ore reserves in accordance with Appendix 5A (JORC Code).

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20.12.2025 Seite 5/7 5.12.10 - A statement by a named competent person or persons that the information in the market announcement provided under rules 5.12.2 to 5.12.7 is an accurate representation of the available data and studies for the material mining project. The statement must include the information referred to in rule 5.22(b) and (c).

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5.15 - An entity must not issue a public report containing or referring to a production target that is based… solely or partly on historical estimates or foreign estimates (other than qualifying foreign estimates) of mineralisation.

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5.16.1 - All material assumptions on which the production target is based. If the economic assumptions are commercially sensitive to the mining entity, an explanation of the methodology used to determine the assumptions rather than the actual figure can be reported.

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5.16.2 - A statement that the estimated ore reserves and/or mineral resources underpinning the production target has been prepared by a competent person or persons in accordance with the requirements of in Appendix 5A (JORC Code).

5.16.3 - The relevant proportions of:

• Probable ore reserves and proved ore reserves;

• Inferred mineral resources, indicated mineral resources and measured mineral resources;

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• An exploration target; and

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5.16.7 - If a proportion of the production target is based on qualifying foreign estimates that have not been verified and reported as mineral resources or ore reservices in accordance with Appendix 5A (JORC Code) after 3 years from the date the qualifying foreign estimates were initially reported, the statement and explanation referred to in LR 5.14.2.

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5.17.1 - All material assumptions on which the forecast financial information is based. If the economic assumptions are commercially sensitive to the mining entity, an explanation of the methodology used to determine the assumptions rather than the actual figure can be reported.

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5.17.2 - The production target from which the forecast financial information is derived (including all the information contained in rule 5.16).

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5.17.3 - If a significant proportion of the production target is based on an exploration target, the implications for the forecast financial information of not including the exploration target in the production target.

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