



Surface Metals to Present at Fastmarkets Global Lithium, Battery & Critical Materials Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada

Vancouver, British Columbia – June 17, 2026 – Surface Metals Inc. (CSE: SUR) (OTCQB: SURMF) (FSE:V6X / WKN: A417U2) ("Surface Metals" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that members of its management team will be attending the Fastmarkets Global Lithium, Battery and Critical Materials Conference, taking place June 22–25, 2026, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Fastmarkets conference is recognized as one of the leading global forums for the lithium and battery materials industry, bringing together producers, developers, end users, investors, analysts and government stakeholders to discuss market trends, supply chain developments, technological advancements and the evolving outlook for critical minerals essential to the energy transition.

Surface Metals' President and Chief Executive Officer, Steve Hanson, will be meeting with industry participants, investors, strategic partners and other stakeholders to discuss the Company's lithium portfolio and ongoing initiatives to advance its projects in North America.

"Fastmarkets provides an important opportunity to engage directly with leaders across the global lithium industry," stated Steve Hanson, President and Chief Executive Officer of Surface Metals. "As the lithium market continues to evolve, maintaining strong industry relationships and staying at the forefront of emerging trends is critical to our strategy. We look forward to sharing our progress and highlighting the potential of our Clayton Valley lithium project as we continue to advance the asset toward its next stage of development."

The Company believes that demand for domestically sourced critical minerals will continue to be supported by the global transition toward electrification, energy storage and secure supply chains. Participation in industry events such as Fastmarkets enables Surface Metals to strengthen relationships within the sector while increasing awareness of the Company's long-term growth strategy.

Investors, analysts and conference participants interested in meeting with management during the conference are encouraged to contact the Company to arrange a meeting.

About Surface Metals Inc.

Surface Metals Inc. (CSE: SUR | OTCQB: SURMF | FSE: V6X) is a North American mineral exploration company focused on advancing a diversified portfolio of gold and lithium projects in Nevada, USA. The Company's Cimarron Gold Project is located in Nye County, Nevada, in a historically productive gold district. Surface's Clayton Valley Lithium Brine Project hosts an inferred resource of approximately 302,900 tonnes LCE adjacent to Albemarle's Silver Peak Mine. Surface Metals is also advancing a sedimentary claystone lithium project in Fish Lake Valley, Nevada.

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