

5E ADVANCED MATERIALS INITIATES CUSTOMER QUALIFICATION PROGRAM WITH SHIPMENT OF FIRST BORIC ACID SAMPLES

Commercial discussions with prospective customers have advanced along with the shipment of product for customer testing as the Company continues to progress towards Phase 1 commercial operation



HESPERIA, CA., July 2, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSIRE) – 5E Advanced Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq: FEAM) (ASX: 5EA) ("5E" or the "Company"), a boron and lithium company with U.S. government Critical Infrastructure designation for its 5E Boron Americas Complex, today announced that it has initiated its customer qualification program, shipping samples of the Company's boric acid to multiple customers. This key advancement is expected to facilitate further commercial discussions and form the foundation for off-take and supply agreements.

As the 5E operations team focuses on continued output from its flagship 5E Boron Americas complex, the commercial team remains consistently engaged with an expanding customer pipeline, and the qualification steps necessary for their respective end products. Customers currently in the qualification program include leading global materials science, consumer electronics, fiber optics, and specialty pharmaceutical glass companies which have a growing need to procure boric acid supply for their applications.



J.T. Starzecki, Chief Strategy Officer of 5E Advanced Materials, stated, "We are pleased to accomplish another milestone with the first shipment of boric acid samples. Our operations team have worked diligently to ensure the product meets specifications and they should be commended. Our market research continues to reinforce a tight market where supply continues to fall short of demand. We have had multiple inbound queries on our product availability, and we continue to focus on working with customers in our pipeline."

About 5E Advanced Materials, Inc.

5E Advanced Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq: FEAM) (ASX: 5EA) is focused on becoming a vertically integrated global leader and supplier of boron specialty and advanced materials, complemented by lithium co-product production. The Company's mission is to become a supplier of these critical materials to industries addressing global decarbonization, food and domestic security. Boron and lithium products will target applications in the fields of electric transportation, clean energy infrastructure, such as solar and wind power, fertilizers, and domestic security. The business strategy and objectives are to develop capabilities ranging from upstream extraction and product sales of boric acid, lithium carbonate and potentially other co-products, to downstream boron advanced material processing and development. The business is based on the company's large domestic boron and lithium resource, which is located in Southern California and designated as Critical Infrastructure by the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this press release regarding the company's business strategy, plans, goals, and objectives, including regarding the anticipated changes to the company's board of directors and management and anticipated benefits, are forward-looking statements. When used in this press release, the words "believe," "project," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "budget," "target," "aim," "strategy," "plan," "guidance," "outlook," "intent," "may," "should," "could," "will," "would," "will be," "will continue," "will likely result," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. These forward-looking statements are based on the Company's current expectations and assumptions about future events and are based on currently available information as to the outcome and timing of future events. We caution you that these forward-looking statements are subject to all of the risks and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control, incident to the extraction of the critical materials we intend to produce and advanced materials production and development. These risks include, but are not limited to: our limited operating history in the borates and lithium industries and no revenue from our proposed extraction operations at our properties; our need for substantial additional financing to execute our business plan and our ability to access capital and the financial markets; our status as an exploration stage company dependent on a single project with no known Regulation S-K 1300 mineral reserves and the inherent uncertainty in estimates of mineral resources; our lack of history in mineral production and the significant risks associated with achieving our business strategies, including our downstream processing ambitions; our incurrence of significant net operating losses to date and plans to incur continued losses for the foreseeable future; risks and uncertainties relating to the development of the Fort Cady project, including our ability to timely and successfully complete our Small Scale Boron Facility; our ability to obtain, maintain and renew required governmental permits for our development activities, including satisfying all mandated conditions to any such permits; the implementation of and expected benefits from certain reduced spending measures, and other risks and uncertainties set forth in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties occur, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results and plans could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. These risks are not exhaustive and the information in this press release may be subject to additional risks. No representation or warranty (express or implied) is made as to, and no reliance should be place on, any information, including projections, estimates, targets, and opinions contained herein, and no liability whatsoever is accepted as to any errors, omissions, or misstatements contained herein. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as to the date of this press release.



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