

enCore Energy Secures Second Uranium Purchase Agreement; enCore Energy and Azarga Uranium Provide Plan of Arrangement Update

VANCOUVER, BC, Dec. 13, 2021 /CNW/ - **enCore Energy Corp.** (TSXV: EU); (OTCQB: ENCUF) ("enCore") and Azarga Uranium Corp. (TSX: AZZ), (OTCQB: AZZUF), (FRA: P8AA) ("Azarga Uranium") are pleased to announce that enCore, a leading United States ("US") in-situ recovery ("ISR") uranium development company, has secured a second uranium purchase agreement with a Fortune 150 United States utility. enCore's business strategy is focused on advancing clean energy production, through the application of ISR in the US, and is advancing its South Texas uranium processing facility towards production. The uranium purchase agreement, which represents the second purchase agreement executed by enCore, is a four-year agreement commencing in 2024, and it covers up to 1.3 million pounds U₃O₈ based on market pricing with a ceiling price significantly higher than the current uranium spot market price.



Paul Goranson, enCore Chief Executive Officer said, "We truly appreciate the confidence in enCore Energy Corp. shown with the execution of our second uranium sales agreement. At enCore, we are building a production pipeline strategy focused on US based ISR uranium production. We have been expanding our growth strategy organically with our near-term production assets in South Texas and through transactions with the assets that Azarga Uranium Corp. will bring to the merged company. This agreement affirms that growth strategy, and it provides a long-term relationship with a large domestic nuclear power utility as it advances sustainable clean energy generation."



enCore and Azarga Uranium Arrangement Update

Following a vote by Azarga Uranium shareholders with over 99% of votes cast in favour of the transaction, enCore and Azarga Uranium are working to obtain the necessary regulatory approvals required to complete the transaction, whereby enCore will acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Azarga Uranium. As previously announced on November 23, 2021, an extension to the arrangement agreement was executed to allow the parties to obtain regulatory approvals, including approval from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the "NRC") and the final order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Final Order").

The parties expect to receive approval from the NRC on or about December 28, 2021 and to close the transaction shortly thereafter.

Azarga expects to apply to the Supreme Court of British Columbia in Vancouver for the Final Order on December 16, 2021 at 9:45 a.m. or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

About enCore Energy Corp.

enCore Energy Corp., a U.S. domestic uranium developer focused on becoming a leading in-situ recovery ("ISR") uranium producer, is led by a team of industry experts with extensive knowledge and experience in all aspects of ISR uranium operations. enCore Energy's initial opportunities are created from the Company's South Texas licensed and past-producing Rosita and Kingsville Dome ISR production facilities, under development, and multiple satellite projects in South Texas plus the changing global uranium supply/demand outlook and opportunities for industry consolidation. Large uranium resource endowments in New Mexico add to the asset base for long term growth and development opportunities.

About Azarga Uranium Corp.

Azarga Uranium is an integrated uranium exploration and development company that controls ten uranium projects and prospects in the United States of America ("USA") (South Dakota, Wyoming, Utah and Colorado), with a primary focus of developing in-situ recovery uranium projects. The Dewey Burdock in-situ recovery uranium project in South Dakota, USA (the "Dewey Burdock Project"), which is the Company's initial development priority, has been issued its Nuclear Regulatory Commission License and Class III and Class V Underground Injection Control permits from the Environmental Protection Agency and the Company is in the process of completing other major regulatory permit approvals necessary for the construction of the Dewey Burdock Project.

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