## Benchmark Metals Announces First Closing of Brokered Private Placement

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Edmonton, September 29, 2022 - <u>Benchmark Metals Inc.</u> (TSXV: BNCH) (OTCQX: BNCHF) (WKN: A2JM2X) (the "Company" or "Benchmark") - is pleased to announce that it has closed its first tranche of the previously announced brokered offering (the "Offering") for aggregate gross proceeds of \$18.6 million. It is expected that there will be a second closing of the Offering on or about October 14, 2022.

The Offering was led by PI Financial Corp. on behalf of a syndicate of agents that included 3L Capital Inc., Clarus Securities Inc., Cormark Securities Inc., Raymond James Ltd., and Sprott Capital Partners LP (the "Agents"). Pursuant to the first closing of the Offering, the Company issued a total of 26,520,000 units (the "Units") at \$0.42 per Unit and 15,592,700 flow-through units (the "FT Units") at \$0.48 per FT Unit, which includes 4,420,000 Units issued in connection with the partial exercise of the Agents' option to increase the size of the Offering up to an additional 20% of the Offering (the "Agents' Option"). The remaining portion of the Agents' Option may be exercised in whole or in part at any time prior to the second closing of the Offering.

Each Unit consists of one (1) common share (a "Common Share") and one-half (1/2) of one transferable common share purchase warrant (each whole such common share purchase warrant, a "Warrant"). Each FT Unit consists of one common share issued as a "flow-through share" as defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada) and one-half (1/2) of one Warrant to be issued on a non-flow through basis. Each Warrant shall be exercisable to acquire one additional common share until September 29, 2024 at an exercise price of C\$0.65. The Units and FT Units are subject to a four month and a day hold period until January 30, 2023.

The net proceeds raised from the Units will be used to fund ongoing project development expenditures at the Company's Lawyers Gold-Silver Project, and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The gross proceeds from the sale of the FT Units will be used before 2024 by the Company to incur eligible "Canadian exploration expenses" that will qualify as "flow-through mining expenditures" as such terms are defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada) (the "Qualifying Expenditures") related to the Company's projects in Canada. All Qualifying Expenditures will be renounced in favour of the subscribers of the FT Units effective December 31, 2022.

In connection with the closing of the first tranche of the Offering, the Agents received compensation of 6% of the aggregate gross proceeds of the Offering, and were issued 2,526,762 compensation options, each of which are exercisable to acquire one common share until September 29, 2024 at an exercise price of C\$0.42 per share.

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