## Surge's Nevada North Lithium Project Moves to the 30-Day National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Environmental Assessment Public Comment Period

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West Vancouver, December 20, 2024 - <u>Surge Battery Metals Inc.</u> (TSXV: NILI) (OTCQX: NILIF) (FSE: DJ5) (the "Company" or "Surge") is pleased to announce that its Exploration Plan of Operations and Reclamation Plan Permit Application (EPO) has entered the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) 30-day Environmental Assessment public comment period.

On November 21, 2023, the Company submitted its EPO to the Bureau of Land Management, Wells Field Office (BLM) for the Nevada North Lithium Project (NNLP). The permit application included all required biological studies, a Class III cultural inventory and hydrologic baseline evaluations to support the NEPA analysis.

The BLM has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze the environmental impacts of the NNLP. The exploration project would allow Surge to disturb up to 250 acres compared to the current 5 acres and allow for expanded drilling in 2025 and beyond on the 7,819-acre Project Area. This expanded drilling will provide additional information on lithium mineral availability, mineral extraction and processing options, metallurgical attributes, strength characteristics of existing bedrock and overburden materials, and hydrogeologic characteristics of local groundwater systems.

The BLM is seeking input on the EA during a 30-day public comment period. The NNLP EA and the unsigned Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) can be found at BLM Announcements. The public comment period will close January 19, 2025.

Mr. Greg Reimer, Chief Executive Officer and Director, commented, "Since submitting our application we have been working hard to provide the BLM with necessary information as they developed their EA. We are very pleased to achieve this important step in the permitting process and look forward to comments from the public."

Qualified Person as Defined Under National Instrument 43-101

Alan J. Morris, MSc, CPG of Spring Creek, Nevada, a Qualified Person as defined under National Instrument 43-101 has reviewed and approved the technical aspects of this news release.

About Surge Battery Metals Inc.

Surge Battery Metals, a Canadian-based mineral exploration company, is at the forefront of securing the supply of domestic lithium through its active engagement in the Nevada North Lithium Project. The project focuses on exploring clean, high-grade lithium energy metals in Nevada, USA, a crucial element for powering the electric vehicles of tomorrow. With a primary listing on the TSX Venture Exchange in Canada and the OTCQX Market in the US, Surge Battery Metals Inc. is strategically positioned as a key player in advancing lithium exploration, contributing significantly to the sustainable future of the electric vehicle industry. At Surge Battery Metals, we are not just exploring minerals; we are pioneering the path to a cleaner and more sustainable future, driving innovation in the lithium sector, and contributing to the evolution of the electric vehicle industry.

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The Company owns the Nevada North Lithium Project located in the Granite Range southeast of Jackpot, Nevada about 73 km north-northeast of Wells, Elko County, Nevada. The first three rounds of drilling, completed in 2022, 2023, and 2024, identified a strongly mineralized zone of lithium bearing clays occupying a strike length of more than 4,300 meters and a known width of greater than 1500 meters. Highly anomalous soil values and geophysical surveys suggest there is potential for the clay horizons to be much greater in extent, while wide drill spacing allows for significant upside to occur during infill drilling. The Nevada North Lithium Project has a pit-constrained Inferred Resource containing an estimated 8.65 Mt of Lithium Carbonate Equivalent (LCE) grading 2,951 ppm Li at a 1,250 ppm cutoff.

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