

High Tide Resources Enters into Option Agreement to Acquire 100% of the Big Bang Lithium Project in NW Ontario

TORONTO, February 9, 2023 – High Tide Resources Corp. ("**High Tide**" or the "**Company**") (**CSE: HTRC**) is pleased to announce that it has entered into an option agreement (the "**Agreement**") to acquire a 100% interest in the Big Bang Lithium Project ("**Big Bang**" or the "**Property**") located about 275 km northeast of Thunder Bay, Ontario near the town of Geraldton (Figure 1).

Steve Roebuck, Director, President & Interim CEO of High Tide states, "We are very pleased to announce the acquisition of our second lithium project which we are naming the "Big Bang Lithium Project" in NW Ontario. We continue to focus on identifying and acquiring high-quality lithium projects in top mining jurisdictions like Quebec and Ontario."

Big Bang represents our second lithium project acquisition in less than one year and is similar to our 14,400-hectare Clearcut Lithium Project in Quebec (see press releases dated July 14, 2022 & January 23, 2023). Big Bang is road accessible and is located approximately 15 kilometres south of Highway 11 near the mining town of Geraldton and connected via a network of logging roads. Having road and trail access will enable the Company to keep explorations costs low while efficiently covering more ground than a remote helicopter supported exploration program. Additionally, being located in NW Ontario will provide access to regional lithium processing hubs which are currently in the planning stage.

The 6,267-hectare property consists of 17 mineral claims within the Thunder Bay Mining Division and is located ~70 km east of Rock Tech Lithium's advanced-stage Georgia Lake property which hosts a 10.60 MT @ 0.88% Li₂O Indicated Resource and a 4.22 MT @ 1.00% Li₂O Inferred Resource with production targeted for H2 - 2024.

Mapping in the Big Bang area in 1939 identified several instances of 'granite' pegmatite. However, mapping during this era did not recognize, or document, various other 'types' of pegmatites which contain important mineralogical information. Of importance is that there are pegmatite dyke-like features mapped on the Property within muscovite-bearing granites and intruding metasediments.

Agreement Details

Pursuant to the Agreement, the Company was granted the option to acquire a 100% interest in the Property (the "**Option**") by making aggregate cash payments of \$103,000 (\$25,000 paid) and a one-time issuance of 225,000 common shares of the Company (*completed*). Upon exercise of the

Option, the Company will grant the Vendors a 1.5% net smelter royalty, 0.5% of which may be re-purchased by the Company for \$500,000.

About High Tide

High Tide is focused on and committed to the development of advanced-stage mineral projects in Canada using industry best practices combined with a strong social license from local communities. High Tide owns a 100% interest in the Labrador West Iron Project located adjacent to the Carol Lake Mine in Labrador City, NL and owns a 100% interest in the Lac Pegma coppernickel-cobalt deposit located 50 kilometres southeast of Fermont, Quebec and is earning a 100% interest in the Clearcut Lithium Project located ~75 kilometres southwest of Val d'Or, Quebec. Majority shareholder Avidian Gold (TSX.V: AVG) controls approximately 30% of High Tide's outstanding shares.

Further details on the Company, including a NI 43-101 technical report on the Labrador West Iron property can be found on the Company's website at <u>www.hightideresources.com</u>.

Qualified Person

The technical information contained in this news release has been approved by Steve Roebuck, P.Geo., Director, President and Interim CEO of High Tide, who is a Qualified Person as defined in "National Instrument 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects."

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Figure 1: Big Bang Lithium Project location map in NW Ontario, Canada



Figure 2: Northwest Ontario Regional Map with select lithium projects and Big Bang Lithium Project



Figure 3: Location and roads to Big Bang Lithium Project



Figure 4: Big Bang Lithium Project local geology and structure