

# PLANS TO REOPEN LOS SANTOS MINE UTILIZING OUR FLOTATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPED FOR OUR SANGDONG TUNGSTEN MINE

Toronto – May 15th, 2023, – Almonty Industries Inc. ("Almonty" or the "Company") (TSX: AII / ASX: AII / OTCQX: ALMTF / Frankfurt: ALI.F) is pleased to announce that plans are now well advanced to reopen the former producing mine in Spain, Los Santos.

Los Santos has been in planned care and maintenance since 2020. Since that time, Almonty has been undertaking studies into the re-commencement of production from Los Santos via the retreating of tailings, utilizing the Company's flotation technology developed for our Sangdong Tungsten Mine.

The Company estimates that re-opening will be effective from Q3 CY2023 depending on the delivery times of some floatation plant items. Under normal conditions these items are readily available. The Company intends to retreat the tails to capture the more than 800,000 MTUS of W03 contained within our sands and torta. The overall average grade of the tails is 0.14% and was published in our latest JORC report.

It is expected that earnings from reopening of the Los Santos Mine will be similar to the earnings at our existing Panasqueira production mine in Portugal. Capital expenditure is expected to be <US\$1.3 million.

Almonty's Chairman, President and CEO Lewis Black commented:

"We have spent a number of years refining our process for the Sangdong Tungsten Mine with the use of our pilot plant. What became apparent was the technology that we had developed that sat alongside the traditional flotation techniques could be adapted to our other sites, especially in dealing with finer material which is normally the inhibitor to treating tails commercially.

We have now successfully established that our Sangdong process can commercially treat the Los Santos tails, and with a minimal amount of adjustment to the already existing flotation circuit at Los Santos, we will now begin to plan for bringing the Los Santos Mine back into production. This re-opening will not distract us from the build in South Korea, as all key members of Los Santos are still in place. We expect this plan, once enacted, to generate similar earnings to our existing Panasqueira production mine in Portugal and therefore will have a material effect to our current revenue and earnings as we continue to construct Sangdong."

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The principal business of Toronto, Canada-based Almonty Industries Inc. is the mining, processing and shipping of tungsten concentrate from its Los Santos Mine in western Spain and its Panasqueira mine in Portugal as well as the development of its Sangdong tungsten mine in Gangwon Province, South Korea and the development of the Valtreixal tin/tungsten project in north western Spain. The Los Santos Mine was acquired by Almonty in September 2011 and is located approximately 50 kilometres from Salamanca in western Spain and produces tungsten concentrate. The Panasqueira mine, which has been in production since 1896, is located approximately 260 kilometres northeast of Lisbon, Portugal, was acquired in January 2016 and produces tungsten concentrate. The Sangdong mine, which was historically one of the largest tungsten mines in the world and one of the few long-life, high-grade tungsten deposits outside of China, was acquired in September 2015 through the acquisition of a 100% WD00288495.DOCX:2

interest in Woulfe Mining Corp. Almonty owns 100% of the Valtreixal tin-tungsten project in northwestern Spain. Further information about Almonty's activities may be found at www.almonty.com and under Almonty's profileat <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

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