

# AgriFORCE Growing Systems Secures Acquisition of Bitcoin Mining Facility in Columbiana County, Ohio

**Vancouver, British Columbia, Jan. 23, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) --** AgriFORCE Growing Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ: AGRI), a leading technology-driven innovator, is pleased to announce the acquisition of a state-of-the-art 5 MW bitcoin mining facility located in Columbiana County, Ohio. Purchased for \$4.5 million in cash, this acquisition is a pivotal step in AgriFORCE's commitment to integrating sustainable energy solutions, advanced data operations, and innovative agricultural initiatives to create long-term value for shareholders.

## **Strategic Opportunity with Scalable Growth Potential**

Powered by 5 MW of natural gas energy, the facility is currently operational with over 900 bitcoin mining units and has the capacity to scale up to 1,200 units. Utilizing energy derived from flare natural gas, the facility not only generates consistent revenue but also minimizes its environmental footprint. Plans are in place to enhance operations by repurposing waste heat and implementing carbon capture technology, enabling diversified revenue streams through sustainable agricultural practices, such as premium crop cultivation and aquaculture systems.

# **Driving Efficiency and Sustainability**

David Welch, Chairman of AgriFORCE, underscored the strategic advantages of the acquisition:

"This facility is a testament to our ability to execute on a scalable business model that delivers dual benefits—sustained revenue from cryptocurrency mining and operational cost efficiency from agricultural integration. By combining advanced cryptocurrency applications with our groundbreaking agricultural solutions, we are poised to deliver exponential value to our investors while contributing to a sustainable and forward-looking economy. The convergence of memecoin frenzy, regulatory reform, and energy innovation opens unparalleled avenues for growth, and AgriFORCE is ready to lead the charge in this transformative era."

#### A Vision for Growth and Innovation

Jolie Kahn, CEO of AgriFORCE, highlighted the facility's transformational potential:

"This acquisition reinforces our leadership in blending advanced technology, environmental sustainability, and agriculture. By utilizing waste energy from natural gas flare-powered generators, the facility represents an innovative approach to reducing environmental impact while driving financial growth through bitcoin mining and integrated agricultural solutions, such as microgreens and aquaculture. It's a replicable model that optimizes both resource

efficiency and profitability, setting a new benchmark for sustainable industry practices."

Kahn added, "As Bitcoin surges to unprecedented all-time highs, fueled by President Trump's transformation into a crypto advocate and the meteoric rise of \$TRUMP coin, we are witnessing what we believe is a pivotal moment in the evolution of digital assets. With the administration's promise to position the United States as the 'crypto capital of the planet,' reduce regulatory barriers, and promote widespread adoption, the crypto market is on the cusp of mainstream integration. At AgriFORCE, we see this as a once-in-a-generation opportunity to align innovative blockchain technologies with our mission of sustainable development."

## **Financing Initiatives**

As previously disclosed, the Company has also closed on the first tranche of an up to \$50 million financing facility with institutional investors. The Company utilized a portion of the first \$7 million tranche to pay for the acquisition of the assets. The Company is grateful to its investors for the confidence placed in its ability to execute its business plan with the closing of the third acquisition in six months, which as with the Redwater acquisition is providing immediately cash flow to the Company.

## **About AgriFORCE Growing Systems Ltd.**

AgriFORCE Growing Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ: AGRI) is a forward-thinking technology company dedicated to solving critical challenges in agriculture, sustainability, and environmental stewardship. By leveraging advanced technologies and innovative business models, AgriFORCE aims to deliver value for shareholders while creating lasting benefits for communities and ecosystems.

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