

Aqua Metals Announces "Visitor Days" Beginning in May

Invites analysts and investors to see AquaRefinery 1 in operation

ALAMEDA, Calif., April 24, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Aqua Metals.

Inc. (NASDAQ:AQMS), ("Aqua Metals" or the "Company"), which is commercializing a nonpolluting electrochemical lead recycling technology called AquaRefining™, today announced
it would be holding a series of "visitor days" to allow investors and analysts to see the
operations at AquaRefinery 1, which the Company has built at the Tahoe Reno Industrial
Center in Storey County, Nevada. The Company will host its first visitor day for analysts in
May, with additional visitor days to follow later in the summer.

"In recent days, we have seen an anonymous report filled with misinformation and innuendo on a stock discussion website. We believe the best way to address this misinformation is to openly show analysts and investors our facility in operation as we continue to scale it up," said Steve Clarke, Aqua Metals' Chairman and CEO. "In the meantime, the entire Aqua Metals team remains focused on our primary goal – to scale commercial operations at the first AquaRefinery to 120 metric tons per day by the end of the year, and to expand operations through our strategic relationships."

About Aqua Metals

Aqua Metals, Inc. (NASDAQ:AQMS) is reinventing lead recycling with its patent-pending AquaRefining™ technology. Unlike smelting, AquaRefining is a room temperature, water-based process that is fundamentally non-polluting. These modular systems allow the lead-acid battery industry to simultaneously improve environmental impact and scale production to meet rapidly growing demand. Aqua Metals is based in Alameda, California, and is building its first recycling facility in Nevada's Tahoe Reno Industrial Complex. To learn more, please visit www.aquametals.com.

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This press release contains forward-looking statements concerning Aqua Metals, Inc., the lead acid battery recycling industry, the future of lead acid battery recycling via traditional smelters, the Company's development of its commercial lead acid battery recycling facilities and the quality, efficiency and profitability of the Company's proposed lead acid battery recycling operations. Those forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially. Among those factors are: (1) the fact that the Company only recently commenced revenue producing operations, thus subjecting the Company to all of the risks inherent in a pre-revenue start-up; (2) risks related to Aqua Metals' ability to raise sufficient capital, as and when needed, to develop and operate its recycling facilities; (3) changes in the federal, state and foreign laws regulating the recycling of lead acid batteries; (4) the Company's ability to protect its proprietary technology, trade secrets and know-how and (5) those other risks disclosed in the

section "Risk Factors" included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 2, 2017. Aqua Metals cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. The Company does not undertake, and specifically disclaims any obligation, to update or revise such statements to reflect new circumstances or unanticipated events as they occur.

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