

Polaris Renewable Energy Successfully Places USD 175 Million Bond Issue

TORONTO, ON / ACCESSWIRE / November 15, 2024 / Polaris Renewable Energy Inc. (TSX:PIF) ("Polaris" or the "Company") announces that it has successfully completed a private placement of USD 175 million senior secured green bonds. The bonds will have a tenor of five years and a fixed coupon rate of 9.5% percent per annum, with interest payable in semi-annual instalments. The bond issue is rated BB- by S&P Global Ratings and is issued under the Company's green finance framework with second-party opinion from Morningstar Sustainalytics.

Marc Murnaghan, Chief Executive Officer of Polaris comments: "We are very pleased to successfully place Polaris' inaugural bond issue with strong interest from a wide set of international investors. The bond optimizes the Company's capital structure and secures financing for further growth and increased diversification of cash flow."

Settlement of the bonds is expected to occur on or around December 3, 2024, subject to the satisfaction of customary conditions precedent. Net proceeds of the bonds will be used to refinance certain existing debt facilities, the acquisition of the Punta Lima wind farm in Puerto Rico and other investments in renewable energy assets.

Pareto Securities acted as lead manager and sole bookrunner for the bond issue.

The bonds have not been and will not be qualified for distribution in any province or territory of Canada. Accordingly, the bonds may not be offered or sold within any such province or territory except in transactions exempt from the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws. No securities regulatory authority has either approved or disapproved the contents of this press release. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the bonds in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

About Polaris Renewable Energy Inc.

Polaris Renewable Energy Inc. is a Canadian publicly traded company engaged in the development, construction, acquisition, and operation of renewable energy projects in five countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The Company's operations include a geothermal plant (~82 MW), four run-of river hydroelectric plants (~40 MW), three solar (photovoltaic) projects in operation (~35 MW) and one wind park (26 MW) following closing of the Puerto Rico acquisition.

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