

ATERRA Provides Update on Private Placement

Toronto, Ontario--(Newsfile Corp. - December 22, 2025) - **ATERRA Metals Inc. (CSE: ATC) (OTCQB: CSSCF) ("ATERRA" or the "Company")** is pleased to announce that due to strong investor demand, it has updated the structure of its previously announced financing (see the Company's news release dated December 16, 2025), from a hybrid offering that included a portion under the "listed issuer financing exemption" ("**LIFE**"), to solely a non-brokered private placement on a prospectus-exempt basis (excluding LIFE) of up to 139,000,000 units ("**Units**") at a price of \$0.02 per Unit, to raise aggregate gross proceeds of up to \$2,780,000 (the "**Offering**"). Research Capital Corporation remains the exclusive finder for the Offering.

Each Unit will be comprised of one (1) common share of the Company (each, a "**Share**") and one-half (1/2) warrant (each whole warrant, a "**Warrant**"), instead of a full Warrant as was previously contemplated. Each Warrant will entitle the holder thereof to acquire one Share from the Company at a price of \$0.05 per Share for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of issuance.

The change in structure allows the Company to both maintain and increase its ability to rely on LIFE in future financings and the reduction of the number of Warrants issuable also permits the Company to close the Offering without seeking shareholder consent, something that had previously been required in accordance with the policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "**CSE**").

"We are very pleased that our existing and prospective new investors participating in the Offering are supportive of ATERRA's vision for developing our portfolio of projects in Chile. This updated structure provides us with the flexibility to aggressively pursue those goals into 2026 with greater future financing options at our disposal, while also providing us with capital to hit the ground running in the new year," commented ATERRA's CEO, Carl Hansen. "Further, in response to numerous enquiries, ATERRA is not contemplating a share consolidation in the immediate future."

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering to fund option payments and exploration activities at the Frontera, Taruca and Clinton copper-gold properties (the "**Properties**"), as well as for working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes. At the Properties, ATERRA plans to commence exploration activities in January 2026 in preparation for a Phase I drilling program to commence during the first quarter. The Company is targeting the third quarter 2026 for issuing a preliminary 43-101-compliant resource estimate.

The Units will be offered to accredited investors pursuant to applicable prospectus exemptions in accordance with National Instrument 45-106 - *Prospectus Exemptions*. The Shares and Warrants underlying the Units will be subject to a statutory hold period of four months and one day from their date of issuance.

ATERRA may pay a finder's fee of not more than 7% in respect of those purchasers under the Offering introduced to it by certain persons in accordance with the policies of the CSE.

Certain insiders of the Company have indicated they intend to subscribe for up to 8,500,000 Units under the Offering. Each subscription by an insider is considered a "related party transaction" of the Company within the meaning of Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions* ("**MI 61-101**"). Subscriptions by insiders the Offering are exempt from the formal valuation requirement of MI 61-101 in reliance on Section 5.5(a) of MI 61-101 and the minority shareholder approval requirement of MI 61-101 in reliance on Section 5.7(1)(a) as the fair market value of the Offering, insofar as it involves subscriptions from such insiders, is not more than 25% of the Company's market capitalization.

The Offering is still expected to close on or about the week of January 12, 2026 and remains subject to certain customary closing conditions.

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About ATERRA Metals Inc.

ATERRA is a mineral exploration company focused on exploration opportunities in Chile. The Company's team of successful exploration professionals are dedicated to the discovery of mineral deposits that can be progressed into economically viable development projects creating value for all stakeholders.

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