

# PyroGenesis Receives \$720,000 from Previously Announced Plasma Torch Contracts

**MONTREAL, Quebec** (**GlobeNewswire** – **February 21**<sup>st</sup>, **2019**) - PyroGenesis Canada Inc. (http://pyrogenesis.com) (TSX-V: PYR) (OTCQB: PYRNF) (FRA: 8PY), a TSX Venture 50® high-tech company, (the "Company", the "Corporation" or "PyroGenesis") that designs, develops, manufactures and commercializes plasma atomized metal powder, plasma waste-to-energy systems and plasma torch products, announced today that, further to previously announced plasma torch contracts (October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 and January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019), the Company has received payments totaling €483K (approx. Can\$720K).

## IRON ORE PELLETIZATION TORCH

The contract announced last January was for a 900-kW plasma torch system which was won in a competitive bid announced by RISE Energy Technology Center AB of Sweden.

PyroGenesis' 900-kW plasma torch is to be used to replace fossil fuel burners in the iron ore induration (pelletization) process. Pelletization is the process in which iron ore is concentrated before shipment, thus significantly reducing the cost of transportation. In conventional technology, the process heat is provided by diesel/fuel burners. The combustion, in the burners, of natural gas, heavy oil and/or pulverized coal results in the production of greenhouse gases such as CO<sub>2</sub>. Plasma torches are therefore an environmentally friendly alternative.

According to management a typical pellet plant producing 10 million metric tonnes of pellets annually, emits approximately one million metric tonnes of  $CO_2$ . The total world pellet production of 400 million metric tonnes of pellets corresponds to the production of about 40 million metric tonnes of  $CO_2$ , and represents a potential market for torch sales of more than \$10B worldwide.

This pelletization torch is on schedule to be delivered by Q3, 2019.

## LEVERAGING OFF OF OTHER FACILITIES TO ACCELERATE GROWTH

The earlier contract, announced last October, requires PyroGenesis to manufacture and deliver a plasma torch system to test certain novel concepts, and speaks to the Company's strategy of leveraging off of other facilities/expertise, to accelerate growth. Final delivery is on schedule for Q2, 2019.

## BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TEAM TO EXPAND; TARGETING TORCH SALES

"As one might expect, given our plasma torch expertise (we have one of the largest, if not the largest, concentrations of plasma expertise under one roof), this business segment is taking off," said Mr. P. Peter Pascali, President and CEO of PyroGenesis. "The fact that we also recently signed another agreement, this time a Letter of Intent, with a European company to develop a plasma torch for a specific environmental

application, speaks to this as well. Each of these new torch contacts opens the door to significant business opportunities, and has gained such momentum over the past 6 months that we will be expanding our business development department to include a full-time manager exclusively dedicated to targeting this market."

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