

News Release

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The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved the information contained herein.

Fytokem Products Inc. engages Yorkton Securities for Private Placement

Fytokem Products Inc. (Fytokem) announces that it has engaged Yorkton Securities Inc. to complete a private placement of up to 1,333,334 special warrants at a price of \$0.75 per special warrant for the gross proceeds of \$1,000,000.50. Each special warrant will be exercisable, at no additional cost to the holders thereof, into one common share. In consideration for their services, Yorkton Securities Inc. will receive a cash commission of 10% of the gross proceeds and 133,334 brokers warrants. Each broker warrant will be exercisable into an option entitling the holder to acquire one common share at an exercise price of \$0.75 per share on or before 18 months from the closing of the private placement.

The net proceeds of this private placement are intended to be used by Fytokem for expanding marketing activities in North America and Europe, increased production and preliminary engineering for a production facility. Closing of the private placement is subject to the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals.

Fytokem has introduced three new products to the cosmetic and personal care industry in the past six months; Canadian Willowherb™ extract, an anti-irritant, Fytosterol™-85, a skin barrier transport agent, and Tyrostat™-10, a skin toner.

Fytokem is a Canadian corporation established in 1994 to develop plant extracts and phytochemicals as functional ingredients for use in the cosmetic, personal care, nutraceutical and therapeutic sectors.