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InZinc Enters into Option Agreement on West Desert

Vancouver, BC – InZinc Mining Ltd. (TSX-V: IZN) (“InZinc” or the “Company”) is pleased that, further to the news release of December 22, 2020, it has entered into an agreement (the “Option Agreement”) with American West Metals Limited (“American West”), a private Australian company, pursuant to which InZinc granted to a wholly-owned subsidiary of American West an option (“Option”) to earn a 100% interest in InZinc’s West Desert project (“West Desert”) located in Utah, USA. The Option Agreement is subject to, among other things, shareholder and regulatory approval.

“The proposed option agreement will benefit InZinc with improved financial flexibility and exposure to a broader, active portfolio of North American zinc and copper projects. The proposed shareholding in American West will provide InZinc continuing leverage at West Desert as a planned multi-year drill campaign to advance to prefeasibility is undertaken as well as exposure to activities at the Storm copper project, which American West recently optioned from Aston Bay Holdings Ltd. The financial terms offered by the proposed agreement will further provide InZinc the flexibility to advance, including drilling, the near surface discoveries and large untested targets at the prospective Indy Sedex project in BC, and assess new opportunities,” said Wayne Hubert, CEO of InZinc.

The principal terms of the Option Agreement include:

- 1) An initial cash payment of **US\$500,000** to InZinc on the effective date (the “Effective Date”) of the Option Agreement.
- 2) Required payments to InZinc during the 24 months following the effective date of the Option Agreement to comprise:
 - i. **CDN\$1,000,000** within 30 days of American West listing its shares on the Australian Securities Exchange (“ASX”) through an initial public offering or other going public transaction (“IPO”) or 12 months after the Effective Date, whichever is earlier;
 - ii. **US\$1,500,000** upon the announcement by American West to the ASX of a completed Prefeasibility Study for West Desert or 24 months after the Effective Date, whichever is earlier; and
 - iii. **CDN\$2,500,000** by way of shares of American West ranking equally with the shares of American West issued under the IPO (the “Consideration Shares”). If American West has not completed the IPO on the ASX within 12 months of the Effective Date, InZinc may elect to receive **CDN\$1,250,000** in cash from American West in lieu of Consideration Shares. If American West has not completed the IPO on the ASX within 24 months of the Effective Date, InZinc may elect to receive **CDN\$2,500,000** in cash in lieu of Consideration Shares.

3) Exercise of Option and Indium Revenue Share

Upon American West having paid the cash payments above and either having delivered the Consideration Shares or having paid the applicable cash payment in lieu of delivering Consideration Shares, American West may exercise the Option and acquire West Desert. InZinc will receive 50% of the revenue from the sale of indium mined from West Desert determined on a Net Smelter Return basis in accordance with generally accepted industry practice (“NSR”). American West will have the right to reduce the NSR to 25% by paying InZinc US\$5,000,000 in cash at any time prior to the first sale of indium from the project.

4) Termination of Option

During the Option period, American West will be the operator of West Desert. If payments referred to above are not paid when due and American West does not rectify the failure within 45 days, InZinc would have the right to terminate the Option Agreement and American West shall surrender West Desert promptly to InZinc.

A meeting of InZinc shareholders to consider and, if thought fit, approve the Option Agreement and other matters is expected to be held in May 2021. An Information circular will be filed with regulatory authorities and mailed to InZinc shareholders.

American West Metals Ltd.

American West is targeting to be listed on the ASX in Q3 2021.

About InZinc

InZinc is focused on growth in zinc through exploration and expansion of the advanced stage West Desert project (100%) in Utah and exploration of the early-stage Indy Sedex project (100% option) in British Columbia. West Desert has a large underground resource open for expansion and has district scale exploration potential. A West Desert preliminary economic assessment completed in 2014 forecasted 1.6 billion pounds of zinc production over 15 years. By-products would include copper, magnetite and indium, the latter being identified by the United States in 2017 as a critical mineral. West Desert is well located with easy access and existing infrastructure. The Indy Sedex project comprises near surface discoveries, large untested exploration targets and regional discovery potential. Indy is readily accessible by road from Prince George, the major hub for transportation and heavy industry in central British Columbia and is located 85 kms south of the Canadian National Railway.

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