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### LEADING EDGE MATERIALS ANNOUNCES UPDATE NON-BROKERED PRIVATE PLACEMENT

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Vancouver, July 17, 2025 – Leading Edge Materials Corp. (“Leading Edge Materials” or the “Company”) (TSXV: LEM) (Nasdaq First North: LEMSE) (OTCQB: LEMIF) announces that pursuant to the news release disseminated on June 10, 2025 the Company is extending by 30 days the closing of the Private Placement. The Company announced on June 10, 2025 a non-brokered private placement of up to 25,000,000 units (“Units”) at a price of C\$0.16 per Unit for aggregate gross proceeds of up to C\$4,000,000 (the “Private Placement”).

The terms of the Private Placement as announced on June 10, 2025 remain the same and there are no material changes in the affairs of the Company since June 10, 2025

Leading Edge Materials intends to use net proceeds for the Company’s projects, located in Sweden and Romania and for general working capital and corporate purposes.

The Company expects certain insiders of the Company to participate in the Private Placement. Any participation by insiders in the Private Placement constitutes a “related party transaction” as defined under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions (“MI 61-101”). However, the Company expects to rely on exemptions from the formal valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements of MI 61-101 based on the fact that neither the fair market value of the Units subscribed for by the insiders, nor the consideration for the Units paid by such insiders, would exceed 25% of the Company’s market capitalization as at the date of this news release.

The Private Placement is directed towards Canadian, Nordic and other international investors. All securities issued under the Private Placement, including securities issuable on exercise of the Warrants, will be delivered from Canada and are subject to a hold period expiring four months and one day from the Closing Date.

The Private Placement is subject to certain conditions including, but not limited to, the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals, including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

A finders’ fees may be payable on a portion of the Private Placement.

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**On behalf of the Board of Directors,**

**Leading Edge Materials Corp.**

Kurt Budge, CEO

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### **About Leading Edge Materials**

Leading Edge Materials is a Canadian public company focused on developing a portfolio of critical raw material projects located in the European Union. Critical raw materials are determined as such by the European Union based on their economic importance and supply risk. They are directly linked to high growth technologies such as batteries for electromobility and energy storage and permanent magnets for electric motors and wind power that underpin the clean energy transition towards climate neutrality. The portfolio of projects includes the 100% owned Woxna Graphite mine (Sweden), 100% owned Norra Karr Heavy Rare Earth Elements project (Sweden) and the 51% owned Bihor Sud Nickel Cobalt exploration alliance (Romania).

### **Additional Information**

This information is information that Leading Edge Materials Corp. is obliged to make public pursuant to the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted for publication through the agency of the contact person set out above, at July 17, 2025 at 1:30 PM Vancouver time.

Leading Edge Materials is listed on the TSXV under the symbol "LEM", OTCQB under the symbol "LEMIF" and Nasdaq First North Stockholm under the symbol "LEMSE". Svensk Kapitalmarknadsgranskning ("SKMG") is the Company's Certified Adviser for the Nasdaq First North Growth Market (Stockholm) and may be contacted via email [ca@skmg.se](mailto:ca@skmg.se) or by phone +46 (0)8 913 008.

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