Buffalo Coal Corp. Announces Rights Offering

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Toronto, November 4, 2022 - Buffalo Coal Corp. (TSXV: BUF) (JSE: BUC) (the "Company" or "Buffalo Coal") announced that it will be offering rights (the "Rights Offering") to holders of its common shares ("Common Shares") of record at the close of business on November 18, 2022 (the "Record Date"). Pursuant to the Rights Offering, each holder of Common Shares (a "Shareholder") will receive one transferable right (each, a "Right") for each Common Share held as of the Record Date. One Right will entitle the holder thereof to subscribe for one Common Share upon payment of the subscription price of \$0.01 or ZAR 0.13396 (the "Subscription Price") per Common Share (the "Basic Subscription Privilege"), subject to certain limitations as outlined below. Shareholders who fully exercise their Rights under the Basic Subscription Privilege will also be entitled to subscribe for additional Common Shares, on a pro rata basis, if available as a result of unexercised Rights prior to the expiry time of the Rights Offering (the "Additional Subscription Privilege").

The Rights will be offered to Shareholders resident in each province and territory of Canada and in South Africa (the "Eligible Jurisdictions") and Shareholders who have satisfied the requirements of the Company for those resident outside of the Eligible Jurisdictions. Accordingly, and subject to the detailed provisions of the rights offering circular dated November 1, 2022 (the "Circular"), Shareholders resident outside of the Eligible Jurisdictions will not be able to exercise their Rights unless such Shareholders are able to establish to the satisfaction of the Company, on or before December 15, 2022, that they are eligible to participate in the Rights Offering. Shareholders who fully exercise their Rights will be entitled to subscribe for additional Common Shares, if available, that were not subscribed for by other holders of Rights prior to the Expiry Time. The Rights Offering will close at 12:00 p.m. in South Africa and 12:00 p.m. (Toronto time) (the "Expiry Time") on December 22, 2022, after which time unexercised Rights will be void and of no value.

The Corporation's majority shareholder, Belvedere Resources DMCC ("Belvedere"), has agreed, subject to certain terms and conditions, at the Subscription Price and on the closing date, all of the Common Shares that are not otherwise subscribed for and purchased under the Rights Offering by holders of Rights so that the maximum number of Common Shares that may be issued in connection with the Offering will be issued. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Belvedere's participation pursuant to its Basic Subscription Privilege, Additional Subscription Privilege and standby commitment is limited, in that it can only exercise rights to the extent that the public float (as defined for TSXV purposes) is not less than 10%, and can in any event not acquire more than 409,936,374 Common Shares under the Rights Offering.

The Company currently has 421,352,596 Common Shares issued. If all Rights issued under the Rights Offering are validly exercised, an additional 421,352,596 Common Shares will be issued. The Company intends to use the net proceeds of the Rights Offering to settle the Company's indebtedness to Investec Bank Limited and for general working capital purposes and costs associated with the Rights Offering. If the Company completes 100% of the Rights Offering, it will have insufficient working capital to meet its ongoing obligations over the next twelve months. Please refer to the Circular for further information regarding the "Use of Available Funds".

Complete details of the Rights Offering are set out in the Circular and the rights offering notice (the "Notice"), which are field under the Company's profile at www.sedar.com. Registered Shareholders who wish to exercise their Rights must complete and forward the direct registration statement, together with applicable funds, to TSX Trust Company, the depositary for the Rights Offering, on or before the Expiry Time. Shareholders who own their Common Shares through an intermediary, such as a bank, trust corporation, securities dealer or broker, will receive materials and instructions from their intermediary.

To facilitate the Rights Offering, the position in the Company's share register representing the Common Shares that trade on the JSE will be frozen from November 16, 2022 to November 18, 2022. Shareholders will continue to be able to trade their Common Shares on the JSE and TSXV during this period but will be unable to transfer their positions between exchanges.

Shareholders Holdings Common Shares Listed on the JSE Limited ("JSE")

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Eligible Holders of certificated Common Shares will be sent a form of instruction in respect of their letters of allocation. Eligible Holders of certificated Common Shares who exercise their Rights must complete the form of instruction in accordance with the instructions contained therein and lodge it, together with the amount due in ZAR with Computershare Investor Services Proprietary Limited ("JSE Transfer Secretaries") on or before the Expiry Time.

Eligible Holders of dematerialized Common Shares who wish to exercise their Rights must notify their CSDP or broker of their acceptance of the Rights Offering in the manner and time stipulated in their custody agreement with their CSDP or broker.

Ineligible Holders of certificated Common Shares will be sent a letter advising them that their letters of allocation will be issued to, and held on their behalf by, the JSE Transfer Secretaries and they will be sent an Exempt Purchaser Status Certificate. The Exempt Purchaser Status Certificate will set out the conditions required to be met, and procedures that must be followed, in order for such Ineligible Holders to participate in the Rights Offering.

CSDPs or Brokers cannot follow the Rights in respect of Ineligible Holders of dematerialized Common Shares, unless the Ineligible Holder has completed an Exempt Purchaser Status Certificate and has provided same to the JSE Transfer Secretaries on or prior to December 15, 2022, (Ineligible Holders must confirm the provision of the Exempt Purchaser Status Certificate to their CSDP or Broker). After 15 December 2022, Ineligible Holders should instruct their CSDPs or Brokers to attempt to sell their Rights for the account of such holders and to deliver any proceeds of sale to such holders or allow their Rights to lapse.

The form of Exempt Purchaser Status Certificate has been sent to Ineligible Holders (or their CSDP or Broker) and will be available on the Company's website www.buffalocoal.co.za and from the JSE Transfer Secretaries upon request, who can be contacted at +27 (0) 861 100 634 (local) or +27 11 370 5000 (international).

General

Neither the Rights being offered or the Common Shares issuable upon exercise of the Rights have been or will be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may not be exercised, offered or sold, as applicable, in the United States absent registration (which the Company has not sought) or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the securities of the Company. There shall be no offer or sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification of such securities under the laws of any such jurisdiction.

A copy of the notice of rights offering (the "Notice") and the Circular are available under the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and on the Company's website www.buffalocoal.co.za.

Capitalised terms used below and that are not otherwise defined, bear the meanings ascribed to them in the Circular.

The important dates and times in respect of the Rights Offering are as set out below:

Circular, Notice and news release filed on SEDAR, announced on SENS and published on the Company's website at www.buffalocoal.co.za (finalization date) prior to 11:00 EST for Shareholders on the TSXV and 11:00 SAST for Shareholders on the JSE

Last day to trade in Common Shares on the JSE in order to participate in the Rights Offering (cum entitlement)

Listing and trading of Rights (Letters of Allocation) commence on the JSE at 09:00 SAST under the JSE share code BUCN and ISIN CA1194421196

Common Shares commence trading ex-Rights on the JSE at 09:00 SAST

Last day to trade in Common Shares on the TSXV in order to participate in the Offering (cum entitlement)

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Common Shares commence trading ex-Rights on the TSXV at market open.

Record Date for the Rights Offering (TSXV & JSE)

Certificated Shareholders on the JSE will have their Rights (Letters of Allocation) credited to an electronic account held at the JSE Transfer Secretaries

Dematerialized Shareholders on the JSE will have their accounts at their CSDP or Broker credited with their entitlement

Offering opens for Shareholders with Common Shares on the TSXV at market open and for Shareholders with Common Shares on the JSE at 09:00 SAST

Print and distribute Notice, including form of instruction, to all Shareholders residents in any province in Canada and South Africa

Print and distribute Notice to Ineligible Shareholders

Print and distribute Form of Instruction to Certificated Shareholders

Last day for trading Rights (Letters of Allocation) on the JSE

Form of Instruction in respect of Rights lodged by Certificated Shareholders on the JSE wishing to sell all or part of their Rights (Letter of Allocation) at the JSE Transfer Secretaries by 12:00 SAST

Offering closes at 12:00 EST for Shareholders on the TSXV and 12:00 SAST for Shareholders on the JSE (Expiry Time)

Deadline for payment to be made and Form of Instruction in respect of Rights to be lodged by Certificated Shareholders at the JSE Transfer Secretaries or the TSXV, as applicable

Record Date for the Rights (Letters of Allocation)

Rights Shares issued and posted to Shareholders in Certificated form on the JSE (where applicable)

CSDP or Broker accounts in respect of Dematerialized Shareholders on the JSE will be updated with Rights Shares and debited with any payments

Results of Offering published on SEDAR and SENS simultaneously

Listing of Rights Shares and trading therein on the JSE and TSXV commences

Refunds transferred to Certificated Shareholders

Notes:

- Shareholders shall be prohibited from transferring their Common Shares between the JSE and the TSXV share registers from Wednesday, 16 November 2022 to Friday, 18 November 2022, both days inclusive
- 2. Shareholders on the JSE share register may not Dematerialize or rematerialize their Common Shares from Wednesday, 16 November 2022 to Friday, 18 November 2022, both days inclusive.
- 3. All times are stated in Eastern Standard Time unless otherwise specified.
- 4. If you are a Qualifying Dematerialised Shareholder, you are required to notify your duly appointed CSDP or broker of your acceptance of the Rights Offer in the manner and time stipulated in the agreement governing the relationship between yourself and your CSDP or broker.
- 5. CSDPs effect payment on a delivery versus payment method in respect of Qualifying Dematerialised Shareholders
- 6. The Rights Shares will only be listed and traded from commencement of business on Thursday, 29 December 2022 (this is a deviation from the normal JSE process of trading on Record Date minus 2 business days).

About Buffalo Coal

Buffalo Coal is a coal producer in South Africa. It holds a majority interest in two operating mines through its 100% interest in Buffalo Coal Dundee Proprietary Limited, a South African company which has a 70% interest in Zinoju Coal Proprietary Limited ("Zinoju"). Zinoju holds a 100% interest in the Magdalena bituminous mine, the Aviemore East anthracite mine and the Balgray and North Adit anthracite projects in South Africa. Buffalo Coal has an experienced coal-focused Board and Management team.

The Company has its primary listing on the TSX Venture Exchange and has a secondary listing on the Alternative Exchange, operated by the JSE.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities legislation, which reflects the Company's current expectations regarding future events. Forward-looking

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