## **Hut 8 provides update on North Bay Facility**

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TORONTO, Feb. 21, 2023 - <u>Hut 8 Mining Corp.</u> (Nasdaq: HUT) (TSX: HUT) ("Hut 8" or the "Company") announces tha received the Statement of Defence and Counterclaim (the "Counterclaim") of Validus Power Corp. and its subsidiary, B Corp. (collectively, "Validus").

The Counterclaim relates to the Company's ongoing dispute with Validus in respect of Validus' failure to meet its contra obligations under the power purchase agreement it entered into with the Company as well as the associated lease betw Company and Validus at the Company's mining facility in North Bay, Ontario. In addition to denying the majority of alleg the Company's Statement of Claim, Validus has brought counterclaims against the Company and is seeking monetary. The Company intends to pursue the claims set out in its Statement of Claim as previously announced. The Company of the Counterclaim to be without sufficient merit and will vigorously defend all of the claims in the Counterclaim.

As the matter is now before the court, Hut 8 does not intend to make additional comments on this subject unless otherwise determined to be appropriate.

## About Hut 8

Hut 8 is one of North America's largest innovation-focused digital asset miners, led by a team of business-building tech bullish on bitcoin, blockchain, Web 3.0, and bridging the nascent and traditional high performance computing worlds. We digital asset mining sites located in Southern Alberta and a third site in North Bay, Ontario, all located in Canada, Hut 8 the highest capacity rates in the industry and one of the highest inventories of unencumbered, self-mined Bitcoin of any asset miner or publicly-traded company globally. With 36,000 square feet of geo-diverse data centre space and cloud connected to electrical grids powered by significant renewables and emission-free resources, Hut 8 is revolutionizing of assets to create the first hybrid data centre model that serves both the traditional high performance compute (Web 2.0) nascent digital asset computing sectors, blockchain gaming, and Web 3.0. Hut 8 was the first Canadian digital asset mineral on the Nasdaq Global Select Market. Through innovation, imagination, and passion, Hut 8 is helping to define the digital revolution to create value and positive impacts for its shareholders and generations to come.

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This press release includes "forward-looking information" and "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Cana securities laws and United States securities laws, respectively (collectively, "forward-looking information"). All information than statements of historical facts, included in this press release that address activities, events or developments that the Company expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including such things as future business strategy, computer strengths, goals, expansion and growth of the Company's businesses, operations, plans and other such matters is forw information. Forward-looking information is often identified by the words "may", "would", "could", "should", "will", "intend "anticipate", "allow", "believe", "estimate", "expect", "predict", "can", "might", "potential", "predict", "is designed to", "likel similar expressions. In addition, any statements in this press release that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances contain forward-looking information and include, among others, stat with respect to the North Bay facility and the expected outcome of any proceedings related to Validus.

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potential for interrupted delivery, or suspension of the delivery, of energy to the Company's mining sites, and other risks the digital asset and data centre business. For a complete list of the factors that could affect the Company, please see Factors" section of the Company's Annual Information Form dated March 17, 2022, as well as its most recent Base She Prospectus dated August 5, 2022 and Prospectus Supplement dated August 17, 2022, and Hut 8's other continuous disdocuments which are available on the Company's profile on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieva www.sedar.com and on the EDGAR section of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's website at www.sec.go

These factors are not intended to represent a complete list of the factors that could affect Hut 8; however, these factors considered carefully. There can be no assurance that such estimates and assumptions will prove to be correct. Should more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements prove actual results may vary materially from those described in this press release as intended, planned, anticipated, believed proposed, estimated, forecasted, expected, projected or targeted and such forward-looking statements included in this release should not be unduly relied upon. The impact of any one assumption, risk, uncertainty, or other factor on a part forward-looking statement cannot be determined with certainty because they are interdependent and Hut 8's future decactions will depend on management's assessment of all information at the relevant time. The forward-looking statemen contained in this press release are made as of the date of this press release, and Hut 8 expressly disclaims any obligat update or alter statements containing any forward-looking information, or the factors or assumptions underlying them, versult of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

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