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Asterion Announces Commencement of IPO

Vancouver, British Columbia: Asterion Cannabis Inc. (“Asterion” or the “Company”) announces that the Company has commenced with preparation for its Initial Public Offering (“IPO”) and has retained DuMoulin Black LLP as legal counsel to facilitate the IPO.

The IPO costs will be funded by the funding from the Company’s \$30 million private placement, which was announced on February 16, 2021. Asterion plans to initially list on the Toronto Stock Exchange “TSX”.

Asterion’s Chairman and CEO, Mr. Stephen Van Deventer, commented, “*We are extremely excited about commencing with this IPO and intend to be listed in the fall of 2021*”.

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About Asterion

Asterion is a Canadian medicinal cannabis company with a wholly-owned Australian subsidiary, Asterion (Australia) Pty Ltd. With its cultivation to market strategy, the Company’s focus is on leading and advancing cannabis agriculture, producing high quality, low cost, genetically uniform cannabis strains and cannabinoid products for global supply. The Australian government awarded the Company’s medicinal cannabis project with a [Major Project Status](#). Asterion (Australia) Pty. Ltd. has been [granted a medicinal cannabis license](#), a cannabis research license, and a manufacture license from the Australian Office of Drug Control.

Led by a highly experienced team with over 200 years of combined relevant credentials spanning North America, Europe, the Middle East, and Asia-Pacific. Management experience with large-scale projects includes medicinal cannabis, renewable energy, and capital markets.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

“Stephen Van Deventer”

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Forward-Looking Statements:

This news release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information (collectively, “forward-looking statements”) within the meaning of applicable Canadian and U.S. securities legislation, including the United States *Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995*. All statements in this news release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements and include statements regarding beliefs, plans, expectations and orientations regarding the future including, without limitation, the amount of the Financing, the intended use of proceeds of the Financing, the construction of the Queensland Facility and the Company’s anticipated business plans and its prospect of success in executing its proposed plans. Often, but not always, forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as “will”, “plans”, “expects”, “may”, “intends”, “anticipates”, “believes”, “proposes”, “estimates” or variations of such words including negative variations thereof and phrases that refer to certain actions, events or results that may, could, would, might or will occur or be taken or achieved. In making the forward-looking statements in this news release, the Company has applied several material assumptions, including that market fundamentals will result in sustained demand and prices for medicinal cannabis products, the receipt of any necessary permits, licenses and regulatory approvals in connection with the construction of the Queensland Facility in a timely manner, the availability of financing on suitable terms for the construction and continued operation of the Company’s business, and the Company’s ability to comply with environmental, health and drugs laws and retain and attract qualified personnel.

Actual results could differ from those projected in any forward-looking statements due to numerous factors including, but not limited to, the inability of the Company to, among other things, secure investor interest in the financing, obtain the required approvals for the construction and operation of the Queensland Facility, and the inability of the Company to execute its proposed business plans and obtain the financing required to carry out its planned future activities. Other factors such as general economic, market or business conditions, future prices of cannabis, changes in the financial markets and in the demand and market price for cannabis, or changes in laws, regulations and policies affecting the biotechnology or medical cannabis industry and delays in obtaining governmental and regulatory approvals including for the Queensland Facility, may also adversely affect the future results or performance of the Company. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this news release and, unless required by applicable law, the Company assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those projected in these forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes that the statements, beliefs, plans, expectations, and intentions contained in this news release are reasonable, there can be no assurance that those statements, beliefs, plans, expectations, or intentions will prove to be accurate. Readers should consider all of the information set forth herein and should also refer to other periodic reports provided by the Company from time-to-time.

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