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# Los Andes Copper announces closing of the US\$5 million Convertible Debenture

Vancouver, BC – Los Andes Copper Ltd. ("Los Andes" or the "Company", TSX Venture Exchange: LA) is pleased to report the closing and funding of the US\$5,000,000 Convertible Debenture issued to Queen's Road Capital Investment Ltd. ("Queen's Road Capital") announced on May 3, 2021.

The Convertible Debenture will have a five-year term, carry an eight per cent coupon and will be convertible into common shares in the capital of the Company ("Common Shares") at a share price of C\$10.82. The interest is payable quarterly, five per cent in cash and three per cent in shares, at the 20-day volume weighted average price prior to the interest payment date.

The proceeds received from this investment will be allocated towards the completion of the Vizcachitas project ("Vizcachitas" or the "Vizcachitas Project") pre-feasibility study ("Pre-Feasibility Study").

In accordance with National Instrument 45-102 – *Resale of Securities*, unless permitted under securities legislation, Queen's Road Capital must not trade the Convertible Debenture before October **3**, 2021.

#### Fernando Porcile, Executive Chairman of Los Andes, commented:

"Since the start of the year we have accomplished a number of achievements at Vizcachitas which have had a positive impact on the delivery of the Pre-Feasibility Study, and we are excited to have completed the investment by Queen's Road Capital. The metallurgical testwork carried out has confirmed a copper recovery of 91.4% and the production of a high-quality clean concentrate. The awarding of the environmental approvals will allow us to complete the required drilling programmes, which could potentially prove an extension of the higher-grade mineralisation to the north of the Vizcachitas Project.

"The transaction with Queen's Road Capital highlights the support for the Company and our Vizcachitas Project, and is another positive step forward in its development. The funds will be used to advance the final work programmes of the Pre-Feasibility Study, that will showcase the attractive potential of the Project and contribute to the growing demand for copper as economies transition to green technologies.

"On behalf of the Company, I look forward to delivering the completed Pre-Feasibility Study and will keep the market updated on future developments."

## About Queen's Road Capital Investment Ltd.

Queen's Road Capital Investment Ltd. is a leading financier to the global resource sector. The company is a resource focused investment company, making investments in privately held and publicly traded resource companies.

It is intended that the company will acquire and hold securities for long-term capital appreciation, with a focus on convertible debt securities and resource projects in advanced development or production located in safe jurisdictions.

Queen's Road Capital Investment Ltd. is listed on the TSX-V under the ticker: QRC.

### **About Los Andes Copper Ltd.**

Los Andes Copper Ltd. is a development company with a 100% interest in the Vizcachitas Project in Chile. The Company is focused on progressing the Vizcachitas Project, which is located along Chile's most prolific copper belt, into production.

Vizcachitas is a copper-molybdenum porphyry deposit, located 120 km north of Santiago, Chile, in an area of good infrastructure. The National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") compliant report titled "Preliminary Economic Assessment of the Vizcachitas Project" (the "PEA"), dated June 13, 2019, prepared by Tetra Tech, highlights that the Vizcachitas Project has a post-tax NPV (8% discount rate) of approximately USD\$1.8 billion and an IRR of 20.77%, based on a USD\$3 per pound copper price. The Vizcachitas Project has a Measured Resource of 254.4 million tonnes at a grade of 0.439% copper and an Indicated Resource of approximately 1.03 billion tonnes at a grade of 0.385% copper. The PEA can be found on the Company's SEDAR profile at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

The PEA is preliminary in nature, it includes inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have the economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves, and there is no certainty that the PEA will be realized.

The Company is currently undertaking the Pre-Feasibility Study of the Vizcachitas Project. With the incorporation of a highly experienced management team, Vizcachitas is incorporating changes to position itself on the forefront of global environmental trends for mining. The conversion to dry-stacked filtered tailings will result in a substantial reduction in water consumption and will discard the use of tailings dams, thus reducing Vizcachitas' footprint, environmental impact and seismic risks.

Additionally, there is significant exploration upside at Vizcachitas with the potential to increase the mineral resource base beyond the initial 45-year mine life modelled in the PEA. Part of this upside has been further delineated in the geological mapping and geophysics work program completed during the 2020 Chilean winter season.

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#### **Qualified Persons**

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