

Stellantis and LG Energy Solution to Form Joint Venture for Lithium-Ion Battery Production in North America

- New battery plant to have annual production capacity of 40 gigawatt hours; targeted to start by first quarter 2024
- Important next step toward electrification transformation in North America

AMSTERDAM, **October 18, 2021 -** <u>Stellantis N.V.</u> (NYSE / MTA / Euronext Paris: STLA) and LG Energy Solution today announced that their companies have entered into a memorandum of understanding to form a joint venture to produce battery cells and modules for North America.

The parties intend that the joint venture will establish a new battery manufacturing facility that will help power Stellantis' goal of realizing more than 40% of its sales in the U.S. comprised of electrified vehicles by 2030. Targeted to start by the first quarter of 2024, the plant aims to have an annual production capacity of 40 gigawatt hours.

The batteries produced at the new facility will be supplied to Stellantis assembly plants throughout the US, Canada, and Mexico for installation in next-generation electric vehicles ranging from plug-in hybrids to full battery electric vehicles that will be sold under the Stellantis family of brands.

"Today's announcement is further proof that we are deploying our aggressive electrification road map and are following through on the commitments we made during our <u>EV Day</u> event in July," said Carlos Tavares, CEO of Stellantis. "With this, we have now determined the next 'gigafactory' coming to the Stellantis portfolio to help us achieve a total minimum of 260 gigawatt hours of capacity by 2030. I want to warmly thank each person involved in this strategic project. Together, we will lead the industry with benchmark efficiencies and deliver electrified vehicles that ignite passion."

"Establishing a joint venture with Stellantis will be a monumental milestone in our longstanding partnership," said Jong-hyun Kim, President and CEO of LG Energy Solution. "LGES will position itself as a provider of battery solutions to our prospective customers in the region by utilizing our collective, unique technical skills and mass-producing capabilities."

The partnership between the two companies in electrified vehicles dates back to 2014 when LG Energy Solution (then LG Chem) was selected by Stellantis (then Fiat Chrysler Automobiles) to supply the lithium-ion battery pack system and controls for the <u>Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid</u>, the industry's first electrified minivan. With this announcement, the two companies look to solidify their partnership even further and continue leveraging each other's strengths.

Stellantis plans to invest more than €30 billion through 2025 in electrification and software development, while targeting to continue to be 30 percent more efficient than the industry with respect to total Capex and R&D spend versus revenues.

The location of the new facility is currently under review and further details will be shared at a later date. The groundbreaking for the facility is expected to take place in the second quarter of 2022.



The transaction is subject to agreement on definitive documentation and customary closing conditions, including regulatory approvals.

About Stellantis

Stellantis is one of the world's leading automakers and a mobility provider, guided by a clear vision: to offer freedom of movement with distinctive, affordable and reliable mobility solutions. In addition to the Group's rich heritage and broad geographic presence, its greatest strengths lie in its sustainable performance, depth of experience and the wide-ranging talents of employees working around the globe. Stellantis leverages its broad and iconic brand portfolio, which was founded by visionaries who infused the marques with passion and a competitive spirit that speaks to employees and customers alike. Stellantis aspires to become the greatest, not the biggest while creating added value for all stakeholders as well as the communities in which it operates.

About LG Energy Solution

LG Energy Solution is a global leader delivering advanced lithium-ion batteries for Electric Vehicles (EV), Mobility & IT applications, and Energy Storage Systems (ESS). With 30 years of experience in advanced battery technology, it continues to grow rapidly towards the realization of sustainable life. With its robust global network that spans the US, Europe, Asia, and Australia, LG Energy Solution is more committed than ever to developing innovative technologies that will bring the future energy a step closer. Under its ESG vision "We CHARGE toward a better future," LG Energy Solution is doing its utmost to prioritize environment, fulfil social responsibilities and shape sustainable future. For more information, please visit <u>https://www.lgensol.com</u>.

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