

## **NEWS RELEASE**

# Laguna's Pro369 Hemp Protein Growth and Pro Athlete Brand Strategy

**KELOWNA, BC – August 11, 2016 – Laguna Blends Inc. (CSE: LAG) (OTC: LAGBF) (Frankfurt: LB6A.F) (the "Company" or "Laguna**") is pleased to update the success and Pro Athlete brand strategy of "Pro369", Laguna's hemp protein, instant, functional beverage.

Laguna introduced Pro369 in April of 2016 and has processed 100's of orders per month to independent affiliates throughout the USA and Canada since the product was introduced. On June 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 Laguna had reported it had beat its internal projections for the first 11 weeks of sales. This was combined sales from March 7, 2016, ending May 2016 and included both products; "Pro369" and "Caffe", Laguna's protein coffee.

Laguna recently announced the renewal of Canadian Football League Pro, Emmanuel Arceneaux as a brand ambassador for Laguna's Pro369 for the second year. In addition, Laguna is currently in negotiations with other professional athletes in the USA and Canada who see the health benefits of Laguna products such as Pro369.

Naturally Splendid Enterprises Ltd. "Naturally Splendid" or "NSE" (FRANKFURT:50N) (TSX VENTURE:NSP) (OTC:NSPDF) provided the research and development of all four of the flavours of Pro369. In addition, Laguna and NSE entered into a manufacturing agreement for Pro369.

Emmanuel Arceneaux, BC Lions, CFL Football Pro said, "Since I have been consuming the Pro369 product I have noticed a significant improvement in my work outs and overall game play. As a professional athlete I only consume the best quality nutritional products available in the Industry. I can validate Pro369 is the best quality hemp protein product in the market today."

Naturally Splendid CEO Mr. Craig Goodwin states, "Laguna Blends is building a team of industry experts. We are excited to be a part of this team and look forward to providing Laguna Blends and their customers with a superior protein blend formulated with our HempOmega® technology. Laguna is the first Network Marketing Company to have access to this HempOmega® technology, which is a finalist for the prestigious NutraIngredients Awards in the category of Start-up Ingredient of the Year."

Mr. Ray Grimm, Laguna Blends Inc. President, said, "Pro369 was a strategic product introduction to our affiliates. Pro369 is a world-class product that contains hemp, omegas and ginseng. Pro369 has put Laguna in a league of its own for a quality hemp protein product that includes efficacious ingredients. There has been positive feedback from affiliates on the quality, taste and solubility of the product. Over the next several of months Laguna will be evaluating the next order size for Pro369. Laguna will also be considering the introduction of Pro369 tubs for its affiliates in addition to the single serving packages. "

## **About Laguna Blends Inc.**

Laguna is a network marketing company that generates retail sales through independent affiliates.

Affiliates utilize tools and technology that enable them to build an international business from their own home or anywhere else in the world. This technology replaces the need for expensive travel and hotel meetings.

The Company is currently focused on the nutritional health benefits derived from hemp and CBD's.

Laguna's first product category as an entry to market are functional beverage products that contain hemp and other efficacious ingredients.

- "Caffe" is an instant, "just add water" hot coffee beverage that is infused with both whey and hemp protein. With 2 grams of protein in every serving, Laguna's proprietary product packs a powerful protein punch. Caffe, contains Instant coffee, whey protein hydrolysate, hemp protein, natural flavors.
- "Pro369" is a single serving, "on-the-go," plant based, instant, hemp protein that is served cold and comes in 4 delicious flavors. Pro369 is water soluble and can be directly mixed in water, added to milk, almond milk or coconut milk. Pro369 can also be blended in a shake or smoothie. Pro369 is also a source of Omegas, 3, 6 and 9 and contains ginseng.

Laguna Blends has been granted approval from Health Canada for four powdered Pro369 flavours: Chocolate Banana, Mixed Berry and Vanilla Caramel and Tropical Powder. Pro369 contains Hemp protein, natural flavors, stevia, and American ginseng.

The Minister of Health from Health Canada has granted Laguna a product license along with a Natural Product Number ("NPN") for all four of the Pro369 Flavours. They are all listed under the same NPN.

- A source of protein that helps build and repair body tissues.
- Source of amino acids involved in muscle protein synthesis.
- Assists in the building of lean muscle.
- An adaptogen to help maintain a healthy immune system.
- Supportive therapy for the promotion of healthy glucose levels.

## The Company's second product category are Swiss made CBD Skin Care products, "CannaCeuticals."

Laguna has signed a distribution agreement with ISO International, LLC, a transaction under which Laguna has acquired the exclusive right to market, promote and distribute seven CBD skin care products of CannaCeuticals of California, USA ("Canna")

CannaCeuticals Swiss heritage is at the core of Canna's revolutionary skincare products. Its pure, cosmeceutical-grade CBD extract hails from the crisp, clean air of Switzerland, but Canna's heritage goes much further than that. Swiss culture is known for its precision and perfectionism, and CannaCeuticals radiates that same standard in every formula it produces. Canna's team of formulators are made up of chemists and product developers that analyze every detail, sourcing ingredients from all ends of the earth to create the most balanced, highly efficacious, anti-aging CBD skincare products in the world.

CannaCeuticals CBD7 anti-aging skincare products incorporate cannabidiol (CBD), a superior antioxidant and a potential anti-inflammatory agent, both of which are significant in anti-aging. Canna's Swiss heritage influences a sense of unity in its products, and it combines CBD with other essential anti-aging ingredients to create formulas that pack a powerful punch.

Hemp has long been recognized by the health and nutrition industry as a super food, cited in many publications as a balanced source of all ingredients required to achieve health and wellness.

# HempOmega®

HempOmega® is an environmentally sustainable, vegetarian source of Omegas 3 and 6 that boasts a superior nutrient profile. A water soluble, homogenous, powdered ingredient, it can be easily integrated and/or manipulated, with no unpleasant taste or chemical contamination – opening up entirely new product formulation opportunities. Hemp Omega's greater ability to endure the digestive process delivers unmatched bioavailability, thereby maximizing its potential health benefits.

The Company currently sells its products through its independent affiliates in the USA and Canada.

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