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6K Additive Awarded US\$1.95M by U.S. Defense Agency to Advance U.S. Strategic Metals Independence

Burgettstown, PA, March 5th, 2026 – 6K Additive (ASX: 6KA) is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a new Phase II contract with a total value of US\$1.95 million over an 18-month term and is subject to standard U.S. government contract terms, including performance milestones and termination rights (**Award**). The Award aims to lessen the U.S. military's dependence on foreign sources for critical strategic metals. The initiative focuses on converting domestic scrap including Nickel, Titanium, Tungsten, and Niobium—into high-value metal powders for additive manufacturing and defense readiness. The goal of the award is to maximize the value of end-of-life components, high demand and high value metal alloys leveraging the baseline processes developed in previous 6K Additive U.S. Defense awards.

Background

The U.S. defense industrial base currently faces a strategic vulnerability due to its heavy reliance on imported metals. According to Statista China controls over 80% of global Tungsten production, and the U.S. depends entirely on imports for Niobium, primarily from Brazil and Canada. Titanium imports have also been flagged by the Department of Commerce as a threat to national security.

"The U.S. Government has made it clear that to advance our defense readiness we cannot rely on geopolitically sensitive regions for the materials essential to our most advanced weapon systems," said Frank Roberts, CEO of 6K Additive. "By upcycling domestic scrap we are creating a circular, secure, and sustainable supply chain for the US defense sector."

At the heart of this initiative is 6K Additive's three IP technology pillars:

- the company's strategic process for sizing solid scrap into angular powder;
- the use of our UniMelt platform; and
- in-house post-processing capabilities that combined enable transformation of scrap, such as machine turnings and end-of-life parts, into premium spherical powders.

Project Timeline and Impact

The Award has an 18-month timeline, and the program aims to prove the concept of an automated sorting prototype and the deliver certified batches of tungsten, titanium, and niobium powders. By converting domestic waste into high-performance feedstock, 6K Additive is ensuring that American innovation is powered by American materials.

6K Additive's strategic importance to the United States national defense regime is validated by strong and growing government support, including:

- US\$23.4 million Defense Production Act Title III grant
- US\$12.4 million in Defense Logistics Agency programs over recent years, including the conversion of titanium and nickel into high-value powder and, in 2025, a US\$1.8 million program for the processing of niobium and titanium scrap – all from the U.S. military depots
- US\$27.4 million Export-Import Bank approved loan facility

As previously advised to the market, this support reflects the recognition of 6K Additive as a critical supplier to U.S. national security and industrial resilience.

Approved by 6K Additive Board of Directors

About 6K Additive

6K Additive, Inc. (ASX:6KA) is a US-based manufacturer and trusted supplier of premium metal powders for additive manufacturing and alloy additions for the aluminum melt industry, all made from sustainable sources. Headquartered in Burgettstown, PA, the Company's manufacturing process produces the highest quality metal powders that are truly spherical, void of porosity and satellites with better unit economics than competing technologies. 6K Additive utilizes proprietary UniMelt® microwave plasma system to produce the industry's most comprehensive portfolio of metal powder including a variety of Nickel, Titanium, Copper, and refractory powders that include, Tungsten, Rhenium, Niobium/C-103 and Tantalum. 6K Additive leverages feedstock such as certified turnings, millings, used additive powder, support material and failed builds that provide customers sustainable, domestically sourced metal powder. Visit us at www.6kAdditive.com.

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