



Sigma Lithium Announces Record Results for 1Q26: 39% EBITDA Margin; 26% Profitability; 21% of Total Debt Repaid

HIGHLIGHTS

- *Sigma Lithium achieved the highest profitability in its history:*
 - *61% gross margin.*
 - *39% EBITDA margin.*
 - *26% net margin.*
- *Generated US\$42M in revenues from the sale of 23,000t of lithium oxide concentrate equivalent:*
 - *Realized price of \$1,790 (SC5).*
- *Significantly deleveraged, decreasing total debt:*
 - *By 21% over the last year*
 - *By 33% over the last 2 years.*
- *Cash position of US\$28M as of May 15, 2026, the highest since year end 2024.*
- *On track to achieve 240,000t of annualized production, with the successful completion of mining operations ramp-up following a successful restructuring:*
 - *Fleet upgrade, capacity increase and modernization.*

Conference Call Information

The Company will hold a conference call to discuss its financial results for the first quarter of 2026 at 8:30a.m. ET on Friday, May 15, 2026. Register for the call at <https://ir.sigmalithiumcorp.com/events>

SÃ£o Paulo, Brazil--(Newsfile Corp. - May 15, 2026) - Sigma Lithium Corporation (NASDAQ: SGML) (TSXV: SGML) (BVMF: S2GM34) ("Sigma Lithium" or the "Company"), the largest producer of lithium oxide concentrate in the Americas¹ and dedicated to industrializing socially and environmentally sustainable lithium materials to supply global producers of batteries for energy security, announces the Company's results for the three months ended March 31, 2026 and provides an update on recent developments.

POSTED RECORD MARGINS

In 1Q26, Sigma Lithium achieved the highest profitability in the Company's history, posting record margins, with gross margin of 61%, EBITDA margin of 39% and net margin of 26%. The Company delivered solid sales volumes, maintained its low cost position and benefited from higher lithium prices. Sales volume in 1Q26 was 23,000 tonnes of both low grade and high grade lithium oxide concentrate, calculated on an equivalent basis for 5% Li₂O content. The realized price for high-grade lithium oxide in 1Q26 was US\$1,790 per tonne SC5 (US\$2,150 SC6), which compares with 3Q25, the last quarter before the Company's restructuring of mining operations, with US\$630 per tonne SC5 (US\$756 SC6).

STRONG REVENUE GENERATION

In 1Q26, Sigma Lithium generated solid revenues of US\$42 million, up 150% from 4Q25, when sales were impacted by the above mentioned mining restructuring, and represent the highest quarterly revenues achieved by the Company since 1Q25 (US\$48 million). Revenue generation in 1Q26 was achieved almost exclusively through the sales of lithium oxide concentrate of different grades, with only a small amount of shipping service revenues. This compares with 4Q25, when revenue was made up primarily of positive adjustments on provisionally priced sales and a substantial amount in

shipping service revenue.

CONTINUED TO DELEVERAGE

In 1Q26, Sigma Lithium continued to reduce debt. Total debt at the end of 1Q26 stood at US\$134 million, having declined by 21% in one year and by 33% in two years. The reduction was achieved despite lithium market volatility and via a strategy of progressively paying down higher cost short term export financing lines, which fell from a two-year high at the end of 2Q24 at US\$102 million to US\$13 million at the end of 1Q26.

SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN CASH POSITION

Today, May 15, 2026, Sigma Lithium's position in cash and equivalents is US\$28 million, which is the largest amount the Company has recorded since year end 2024. Sigma Lithium ended 1Q26 with US\$4 million in cash and equivalents, but the strong sales in the quarter resulted in an accounts receivable balance of US\$22 million, which has since been mostly translated into the Company's cash balances. The Company also continued to receive advanced payments for sales of high-grade lithium oxide concentrate, including from the previously announced US\$96 million working capital offtake agreement, as well as from the sales of high purity low grade materials.

ON TRACK TO DELIVER PRODUCTION OF 240,000t

Sigma Lithium successfully concluded a full ramp up of mining operations following the restructuring started in October 2025 and is on track to achieve the production guidance provided at the end of 1Q26 of an annualized 240,000 tonnes per year of high-grade lithium oxide concentrate.

Sigma Lithium remains committed to deliver high near-term growth and now expects the next two phases of the Company's development to be concluded by year end 2027. These are the expansions Phase 2, designed to take nominal annual capacity from the current 270,000 tonnes of high-grade lithium oxide concentrate to 520,000 tonnes, and Phase 3, designed to lift annual capacity further to 770,000 tonnes.

Sigma Lithium adjusted the guidance previously provided for costs per tonne to reflect higher diesel prices and an appreciation of the Brazilian Real against the U.S. Dollar, which are shown in the table below. The forecasts do not incorporate savings from higher efficiency in mine operations following the recent restructuring, but the Company continues to expect these to be achieved over time.

Production Volumes and Costs per Tonne (US\$/t)	Estimated 12 Month Period (Phase 1)	Estimated Phases 1 & 2	Estimated Phases 1, 2 & 3
Production Volumes	240,000	520,000	770,000
CIF China Cash Cost	(\$624)	(\$571)	(\$571)
Maintenance Capex	(\$6)	(\$6)	(\$6)
Sales and Administrative Expenses	(\$80)	(\$43)	(\$33)
All-In Sustaining Cost*	(\$710)	(\$620)	(\$610)
Cash Flow Forecasts at Various Realized Lithium Prices (US\$ M)*			
Cash Flow @ US\$1,500 /t	\$130	\$327	\$493
Cash Flow @ US\$ 2,000/t	\$230	\$544	\$814
Cash Flow @ US\$2,500/t	\$330	\$761	\$1,135
<i>* Excludes environmental, social and financial expenses.</i>			
<i>**Prices shown for concentrate with 6% Li2O content (SC6) adjusted for Sigma Lithium's average of 5%.</i>			

ABOUT SIGMA LITHIUM

Sigma Lithium Corporation (NASDAQ: SGML) (TSXV: SGML) (BVMF: S2GM34), ("Sigma Lithium" or "the Company") is the largest producer of lithium oxide concentrate in the Americas¹ and dedicated to industrializing socially and environmentally sustainable lithium materials to supply global producers of batteries for energy security.

The Company runs one of the world's largest lithium production sites—the fifth-largest industrial-mineral complex for lithium oxide concentrate—at its Grota do Cirilo operation in Brazil. Sigma Lithium is at the forefront of environmental and social sustainability in the electric battery materials supply chain. The Company's Greentech Industrial Plant combines the reuse of 100% of water, zero use of toxic chemicals, zero tailings and the use of 100% renewable electricity. For more than two years Sigma Lithium has not experienced an accident with lost time.

Sigma Lithium currently has a nameplate capacity to produce 270,000 tonnes of lithium oxide concentrate on an annualized basis (approximately 38,000-40,000 tonnes of LCE) at its mine and state-of-the-art Greentech Industrial Plant. The Company has initiated a Phase 2 expansion designed to close to double production capacity to 520,000 tonnes. For more information about Sigma Lithium, visit our [website](#).

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