

## **NOTE TO READER**

Please be advised that Frontera Energy Corporation is re-filing the attached news release as the incorrect version of the news release was inadvertently filed on SEDAR+.

The third paragraph on page 3 of the news release should read:

“In light of the Canada Post workers’ strike and the resulting disruption of mail services, the Company may be unable to mail the Offer Documents to beneficial (non-registered) holders. However, upon resumption of normal mail service, the Company intends to arrange for the mailing of the Offer Documents to the beneficial holders to be completed.”

All other information contained in the attached news release remains the same as the version of the news release disseminated via CNW Group Ltd. at 7:17 a.m. on December 16, 2024.

# FRONTERA ENERGY CORPORATION

## NEWS RELEASE

### **Frontera Announces Another CAD\$42 Million (US\$30 million) Substantial Issuer Bid**

**Offer Results in a CAD\$0.52 Per Share Distribution or 6.7% Yield (to Frontera's Share Price Prior to the Offer's Announcement) Assuming Full and Pro-Rata Shareholder Participation**

**Over US\$83 Million Returned to Shareholders in 2024, Including Successful Completion of the Offer**

**Additional Dividends, Share Buybacks, Bond Buybacks or Other Investor Initiatives May Be Considered in the Future**

CALGARY, AB, December 16, 2024 /CNW/ - Frontera Energy Corporation (TSX: FEC) ("Frontera" or the "Company") announces that its board of directors (the "Board") has approved the commencement of a second substantial issuer bid (the "Offer") pursuant to which the Company will offer to purchase from holders ("Shareholders") of common shares of the Company (the "Shares") up to 3,500,000 Shares for cancellation at a purchase price of CAD\$12.00 per Share (the "Purchase Price"), for an aggregate purchase price not exceeding CAD\$42,000,000 (equivalent to US\$30,000,000).

The Offer is expected to commence on December 19, 2024 and remain open for acceptance until 5:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on January 24, 2025, unless extended, varied or withdrawn by the Company (the "Expiration Date"). Pursuant to the Offer, tendering Shareholders will have the right to elect to tender a specified number of Shares.

The Company plans to fund the Share repurchases through available cash on hand. The Offer is denominated in Canadian dollars, and Shareholders will have the option to elect to receive payment in either Canadian or United States dollars.

### **Purpose of the Offer**

As part of its efforts to maximize value for Shareholders and following the highly participated substantial issuer bid announced in September 2024 and completed in October 2024, the Company has identified this Offer as an attractive and efficient means to return further capital to Shareholders. Upon successful completion of the Offer, the Company will have returned over US\$83 million of capital to its shareholders this year, including US\$30 million from the October 2024 substantial issuer bid, US\$15.2 million in declared dividends and US\$7.8 million of share repurchases through the Company's normal course issuer bid program.

On November 5, 2024, the last full trading day prior to the date of announcement of the Company's intention to make the Offer, the closing price of the Shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange was CAD\$7.71 per Share.

Assuming full and pro-rata shareholder participation, the Offer represents a CAD\$0.52 per Share distribution equivalent to a 6.7% yield on the Company's stock price prior to the announcement of the Offer in the Company's third quarter 2024 results. Including all dividends declared this year, the year-to-date distribution total to shareholders would be CAD\$1.27 per Share (equivalent to a 16.5% yield).

The Board shall continue to consider future investor initiatives in the remainder of 2024 and beyond, including potential additional dividends, share buybacks, bond buybacks or other initiatives, based on the overall results of the business, oil prices and the Company's strategic goals.

Frontera intends to file with the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX") a notice of intention to commence a normal course issuer bid for its Shares subsequent to the completion of the Offer (the "NCIB"). If accepted by the TSX, the Company would be permitted under the NCIB to purchase for cancellation, during a 12-month period, up to that number of Shares equal to the greater of (i) 5% of the Company's issued and outstanding Shares and (ii) 10% of the Company's "public float" (as such term is defined in the TSX Company Manual).

### **Purchase Price**

Frontera will pay the Purchase Price of CAD\$12.00 per Share for each validly deposited Share taken up by the Company up to a maximum of 3,500,000 Shares, for an aggregate purchase price not exceeding CAD\$42,000,000 (equivalent to US\$30,000,000).

Each Shareholder who has properly deposited Shares and who has not withdrawn such Shares will receive the Purchase Price, payable in cash (subject to applicable withholding taxes, if any), for all Shares taken up by the Company upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer.

If more than 3,500,000 Shares are tendered for purchase, the Company will purchase the Shares on a pro rata basis. In that case, Shares that are tendered but not purchased will be returned to Shareholders.

### **Manner of Tender**

Pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions of the Offer, Shareholders wishing to tender to the Offer may do so by making an election to tender a specified number of Shares (representing, in the Shareholders' discretion, all or a portion of the Shareholders' Shares) at the Purchase Price.

### **Additional Information**

As of December 11, 2024, the Company had 80,793,387 issued and outstanding Shares. The Offer will be for up to approximately 4.33% of the total number of issued and outstanding Shares on a non-diluted basis.

The Offer is optional for all Shareholders, who are free to choose whether to participate, and if they participate, how many Shares to tender. Any Shareholders who do not deposit their Shares (or whose

Shares are not purchased under the Offer) will realize a proportionate increase in their equity interest in the Company to the extent that Shares are purchased under the Offer.

The terms and conditions of the Offer, including instructions for tendering Shares, will be included in the formal offer to purchase and issuer bid circular, letter of transmittal, notice of guaranteed delivery and other related documents (the “**Offer Documents**”). On or about December 19, 2024, the Offer Documents will be sent to registered Shareholders, filed with applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities, and made available without charge on SEDAR+ at [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca).

**In light of the Canada Post workers’ strike and the resulting disruption of mail services, the Company may be unable to mail the Offer Documents to beneficial (non-registered) holders. However, upon resumption of normal mail service, the Company intends to arrange for the mailing of the Offer Documents to the beneficial holders to be completed.**

**Beneficial holders can retrieve the Offer Documents on [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca). Copies of Offer Documents may also be obtained upon written or oral request, without charge, to the Company at the Company’s head office at Suite 2000, 222 - 3rd Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2P 0B4 or by email at [generalcounsel@fronteraenergy.ca](mailto:generalcounsel@fronteraenergy.ca).**

The Offer is not conditional upon any minimum number of Shares being tendered. However, the Offer will be subject to other conditions described in the Offer Documents. Frontera reserves the right, subject to applicable laws, to withdraw, extend or amend the Offer if certain events occur at any time prior to the payment for the tendered Shares.

The Catalyst Capital Group Inc. (“**Catalyst**”) and Gramercy Funds Management LLC (“**Gramercy**” and, together with Catalyst, the “**Principal Shareholders**”) are the beneficial owners of, or exercise control or direction over, 33,262,348 and 10,808,311 Shares, respectively, which in the aggregate represent approximately 54.55% of all issued and outstanding Shares. Each of Catalyst and Gramercy has advised the Company that their current intention is to deposit Shares pursuant to the Offer, however, their decision to participate in the Offer is subject to market conditions and other factors. Each of Catalyst and Gramercy reserves the right, without notice and for any or no reason, to change its investment decision at any time prior to the Expiration Date. In addition, certain directors and officers of the Company have expressed an intention to tender 244,568 Shares to the Offer.

The Company has engaged Computershare Investor Services Inc. to act as depositary for the Offer and BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. to act as financial advisor and dealer manager. Shareholders who have questions regarding the Offer or require any assistance tendering Shares may contact Computershare Investor Services Inc. by telephone at 1-800-564-6253 (North America) or 514-982-7555 (International), or by e-mail at [corporateactions@computershare.com](mailto:corporateactions@computershare.com), or BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. by email at [FronteraSIB@bmo.com](mailto:FronteraSIB@bmo.com).

The Offer referred to in this news release has not yet commenced. This news release is for informational purposes only and does not constitute an offer to buy or the solicitation of an offer to sell Shares. The solicitation and the offer to buy Shares will only be made pursuant to the Offer

Documents to be filed with the applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities. The Offer will not be made to, nor will tenders be accepted from or on behalf of, holders of Shares in any jurisdiction in which the making or acceptance of offers to sell Shares would not be in compliance with the laws of that jurisdiction. None of Frontera, its Board or the depositary makes any recommendation to Shareholders as to whether to tender or refrain from tendering any or all of their Shares pursuant to the Offer. Shareholders are strongly urged to read the Offer Documents carefully and consult with their financial, tax and legal advisors prior to making any decision with respect to the Offer.

## **About Frontera**

Frontera Energy Corporation is a Canadian public company involved in the exploration, development, production, transportation, storage and sale of oil and natural gas in South America, including related investments in both upstream and midstream facilities. The Company has a diversified portfolio of assets with interests in 22 exploration and production blocks in Colombia, Ecuador and Guyana, and pipeline and port facilities in Colombia. Frontera is committed to conducting business safely and in a socially, environmentally and ethically responsible manner.

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## ***Forward-Looking Statements***

*This news release contains forward-looking information or forward-looking statements (collectively, “forward-looking statements”) within the meaning of applicable securities laws, including statements as to the Company’s current intentions regarding commencement of the Offer, the timing, terms and conditions of the Offer, the participation of the Principal Shareholders and certain directors and officers, the number of Shares to be purchased and the amount of capital returned to Shareholders under the Offer, the consideration of future investor initiatives in 2024 and beyond, the Company’s intention to initiate the NCIB subsequent to completion of the Offer and the Company’s intention to mail the Offer Documents to beneficial holders upon resumption of normal mail service. Any such forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to us and are based on assumptions and analyses made by us in light of our experience and our perception of historical trends and current market and other conditions. Readers should also refer to the risk factors set forth in the Company’s annual information form and management’s discussion and analysis for the year ended December 31, 2023, each dated March 7, 2024, available on SEDAR+ at [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca). There can be no assurance that the plans, intentions, or expectations upon which forward-looking statements are based will be realized. Actual results may differ, and the difference may be material and adverse to the Company and its Shareholders.*

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