CALGARY, AB--(Marketwired - August 24, 2017) - Niko Resources Ltd. ("Niko" or the "Company") (TSX: NKO) provides the following update:

As previously disclosed, in May 2016, a writ petition was filed before the Supreme Court of Bangladesh, High Court Division (the "Court") in Dhaka by a citizen of Bangladesh (the "Petitioner") against (i) the Government of Bangladesh (the "GOB"), (ii) Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation ("Petrobangla"), (iii) Bangladesh Petroleum Exploration & Production Company Limited ("Bapex"), (iv) Niko Resources (Bangladesh) Ltd. ("NRBL"), the Company's indirect subsidiary, and (v) Niko. The writ petition relates to the Feni Gas Purchase and Sales Agreement (the "Feni GPSA") between Petrobangla and NRBL for the Feni gas field and the Joint Venture Agreement (the "JVA") between Bapex and NRBL for the Feni and Chattak fields in Bangladesh, which agreements are currently the subject of previously disclosed arbitration disputes to be decided upon by a tribunal panel constituted under the rules of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes ("ICSID").

In the Court today, the presiding judge announced its decision in favor of the Petitioner and declared:

- the Feni GSPA and the JVA to be without legal authority and of no legal effect; and
- the assets of NRBL and Niko, including its shareholding in the indirect subsidiary that holds a 60 per cent interest in the Block 9 production sharing contract ("Block 9 PSC"), are seized to provide adequate compensation for the blowouts that occurred in 2005 in the Chattak field in Bangladesh.

An application has been filed to receive the full written judgement of the Court.

Niko believes that ICSID has exclusive jurisdiction to decide all disputes relating to the Feni GPSA and the JVA and the Block 9 PSC provides for ICSID arbitration as the default dispute resolution mechanism to decide disputes relating to the Block 9 PSC. Niko will vigorously pursue its rights in this matter.

For further information, please visit the Company's website at www.nikoresources.com.

Forward-Looking Information

Certain statements in this press release constitute forward-looking information. Specifically, this press release contains forward looking information relating to the Company's view of ICSID's jurisdiction in respect of disputes concerning the Feni GPSA, the JVA and Block 9 PSC and the Company's plans to pursue its rights in this matter. Such forward-looking information is based on a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, which may cause actual results or other expectations to differ materially from those anticipated and which may prove to be incorrect. There can be no assurances that the Company will be able to successfully pursue its rights in respect of the writ petition. Undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking information currently available to the Company. This forward-looking information is based on certain key expectations and assumptions, many of which are not within the control of the Company. The reader is cautioned that the assumptions used in the preparation of such information provided herein as a result of numerous known and unknown risks and uncertainties and other factors and such risk factors include, but are not limited to, the risks discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Information Form for the year ended March 31, 2017 and in the Company's public disclosure documents, and other factors, many of which are beyond the Company's control. Niko makes no representation that the actual results achieved during the forecast period will be the same in whole or in part as those forecast.

The forward-looking information included in this press release is expressly qualified in its entirety by this cautionary statement. The forward-looking information included herein is made as of the date of this press release and Niko assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward looking information to reflect new events or circumstances, except as required by law.

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