

Morro Bay Negotiates Amended Option Agreement on Pe[[115]]oles Project in Durango, Mexico

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Calgary, Alberta (FSCwire) - [Morro Bay Resources Ltd.](#) (**TSX-V: MRB**) announces that the terms for the option on the Peñoles Project between Morro Bay and Riverside Resources Ltd. ("Riverside") have been amended and the option exercise date extended to March 31, 2015.

John Zang, CEO of Morro Bay stated "recent drilling at Peñoles has encountered wide intervals of near surface gold and mineralization which may be amenable to low cost, open pit mining. The amended option agreement with Riverside is a successful start to what promises to be an important year for the progression of the project. As we welcome the opportunity to advance Peñoles further, the amendments to the option agreement allow Morro Bay to ensure its funds are spent in proportion to the project's potential";

The Amended Peñoles Option Agreement

The most significant change to the Option Agreement is the removal of the requirement for Morro Bay to pay the cash payment of approximately \$1.35 million to Riverside in order for the Company to earn a 51% interest in the Peñoles Project (the Initial Option). In addition, the Option exercise date has been extended to March 31, 2015.

Subject to fulfilling the conditions referred to below, Morro Bay has the option to acquire a 51 percent (and up to 65 percent as set out below) in the Peñoles Project. The Option exercise date is not later than March 31, 2015. The conditions for exercise of the option are as follows:

- Morro Bay shall make a payment of \$750,000 to Riverside by March 31, 2015 (payable in cash or Morro Bay shares at Morro Bay's election provided that if the value of Morro Bay shares is less than \$0.05 such payment must be made in cash);
- Morro Bay shall incur Joint Venture Expenditures of \$750,000 for each of the first three years (any amounts expended over \$750,000 will be credited toward the following years expenditure requirements);
- Riverside shall have a credit of CA\$100,000 and US\$1,250,000 against the first Joint Venture Expenditures incurred by the Joint Venture; and
- Should the Joint Venture fail to incur Joint Venture Expenditures of at least \$750,000 in each of the first three years, Riverside will have the right to acquire 100% of Morro Bay's Interest by returning to Morro Bay 80% of the common shares issued by Morro Bay to Riverside.

The Amended Peñoles Option Agreement further provides that in order for Morro Bay to earn an additional 14% interest in the Peñoles Project (bringing the Morro Bay interest in the Peñoles Project to 65%) (the Additional Option), Morro Bay must:

- Make a cash payment of \$30,000 on or before the first anniversary date of the exercise of the initial option;
- Incur additional expenditures at the Peñoles Project of not less than \$5 million, half of which are to be incurred within 24 months from the date of the exercise of the Initial Option (i.e. 51%) and half of which shall be incurred within 24 months from the date of the exercise of the Initial Option; and
- In the event the Morro Bay shares are trading over \$0.05 deliver to Riverside \$750,000 in cash or shares at Morro Bay's election, or if the Morro Bay shares have a market value of less than \$0.05 pay to Riverside the sum of \$750,000 in cash.

Peñoles Project

Peñoles is a historic silver mining district in the Durango Silver Belt that has had relatively little modern exploration. Public historical accounts indicate that Compania Minera Industrias Peñoles operated several vein-type, underground silver mines in Peñoles from 1887 to 1908, however production records are limited and potential extensions of the mines were never systematically explored.

The Peñoles Project consists of approximately 23,000 hectares of Riverside owned concessions that cover two of the historic underground silver mines (referred to as Jesus Maria and San Rafael), an oxide gold prospect (referred to as El Capitan) and numerous exploration targets.

Approximately 86 diamond drill holes totaling more than 11,550 metres have now been completed. Initial drill programs were focused on the El Capitan prospect (50 drill holes) and have traced mineralization over a strike length of more than 700 meters. The mineralized zone ranges from 50 to 165 meters in width and has been traced down dip for approximately 100 meters.

During 2013 and 2014 drilling continued beyond El Capitan with 30 holes and approximately 3,115 metres of drilling completed in the Jesus Maria mine area. The mineralization exploited by the historic mine workings has been traced for more than 1,000 meters along strike and several previously unrecognized, near surface mineralized zones have been identified. Further drilling could expand these zones significantly and recent drilling has now extended exploration to include the historic

mine workings at San Rafael.

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The scientific and technical data contained in this news release pertaining to the Peñoles Project was prepared under the supervision of Carl von Einsiedel, PGeo. who is responsible for ensuring that the geologic information provided in this news release is accurate. Mr. von Einsiedel is the exploration manager for Morro Bay and acts as a "non-independent qualified person"; as defined under National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

About Morro Bay

Morro Bay is a junior mineral exploration company based in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, focused on the exploration for precious metals in Mexico. Morro Bay's business strategy is to build shareholder value by rapidly advancing the Peñoles Project in Mexico through the resource delineation stage.

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