BLM Reduces Reclamation Financial Guarantee to \$2.8 Million

LAKEWOOD, Colo., Feb. 23, 2016 /CNW/ -- General Moly Inc. (the "Company") (NYSE MKT and TSX: GMO), a U.S.-based molybdenum mineral development, exploration and mining company, announced the decision from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") reducing the reclamation financial guarantee requirement from \$75.1 million to \$2.8 million, based only on current disturbance at the Mt. Hope Project site, and the net receipt of \$4.3 million from reclamation surety collateral reductions.

As a result of the ongoing suspension of pre-construction activities at the Mt. Hope Project site, the operator Eureka Moly, LLC, ("EMLLC") of which General Moly is an 80% member, requested the BLM reduce the reclamation financial guarantee obligations to reflect current disturbance resulting from pre-construction activities that commenced in 2013. Previous financial guarantee requirements of \$75.1 million were based on projected Mt. Hope Project construction and operational disturbance plans for the first three years.

EMLLC had previously funded the \$75.1 million financial guarantee with bonds placed with multiple surety underwriters. With the reduction to \$2.8 million, based on current disturbance, EMLLC re-negotiated its reclamation surety program to reduce annual premiums and to reduce collateral supporting the surety bonds from \$4.6 million to \$0.3 million, resulting in a net return to EMLLC of approximately \$4.3 million.

Bruce D. Hansen, Chief Executive Officer, said, "The decision of the BLM, which allowed EMLLC to negotiate a net return of approximately \$4.3 million from its reclamation surety program, provides the Company with an improved Mt. Hope Project and corporate liquidity profile."

Mr. Hansen concluded, "The Company remains focused on managing its financial liquidity and flexibility to sustain the Company over the mid-term, and on working jointly with its strategic partner and largest shareholder AMER International Group to identify value-accretive acquisition opportunities with a focus on base metal prospects in North America."

The Company will be releasing its 2015 year-end results and annual report on Form 10 K, targeted for release in early March, 2016.

About General Moly

General Moly is a U.S.-based molybdenum mineral development, exploration and mining company listed on the NYSE MKT and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol GMO. The Company's primary asset, an 80% interest in the Mt. Hope Project located in central Nevada, is considered one of the world's largest and highest grade molybdenum deposits. Combined with the Company's wholly-owned Liberty Project, a molybdenum and copper property also located in central Nevada, General Moly's goal is to become the largest pure play primary molybdenum producer in the world.

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