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TORONTO, April 6, 2016 /CNW/ - <u>Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.</u> (TSX: WDO) is pleased to announce that the Governance and Nominating Committee has recommended, and the Board of Directors have approved, the director nominees that will stand for election at the Company's next annual meeting of shareholders ("AGM") to be held on May 17, 2016.

Duncan Middlemiss, Don Njegovan and Bill Washington will stand for election at the AGM as new director nominees, while Charles Page, Nadine Miller, Rostislav Raykov, Barry Smith and Rowland Uloth will stand for re-election.

Mr. Charles Page, Chair of the Board, stated "Pending the approval of our shareholders, we are excited to welcome Duncan, Don and Bill to the Board. Their combined experience in mining operations, engineering and finance will add strength as we advance Wesdome's growth at our Eagle River and Mishi gold mines."

A brief biography of the new director nominees follows:

Duncan Middlemiss was the President and Chief Executive Officer and a director of St. Andrew Goldfields Ltd. ("SAS") until its acquisition by Kirkland Lake Gold Inc. in January 2016. Mr. Middlemiss joined SAS in July 2008 as General Manager and Vice President Operations, later assuming the role of Chief Operating Officer. He was appointed as President and Chief Executive Officer in October 2013. He earned a B. Sc. in mining engineering at Queen's University in 1989 and worked for Inco Ltd. (now Vale Canada Limited) as Mine Design Engineer until 1995. At that time, he joined Barrick Gold Inc. at their Holt-McDermott Mine, where he held the position of Chief Mine Engineer. In 2002 he joined Foxpoint Resources (now Kirkland Lake Gold Inc.) where he was instrumental in overseeing the rehabilitation, development, and commencement of production at the Macassa Mine beginning as Engineering & Production Manager, and later as Mine Manager. Mr. Middlemiss is a native of Kirkland Lake, Ontario and has extensive experience in the mining of gold deposits in the Abitibi Greenstone Belt.

Don Njegovan has been the Vice President, New Business Development at <u>Oban Mining Corp.</u> since February 2016. He was a director of St. Andrew Goldfields until it was acquired by Kirkland Lake Gold in 2016 and is currently on the Board of Directors of Royal Road Minerals. He was formerly Managing Director of Global Mining at Scotiabank from August 2010 to June 2014. Prior to that, he was an investment banker at Toll Cross Securities Inc. from June 2005 to July 2010. Mr. Njegovan has over 20 years of experience in the Mining Industry, and started working underground in 1989 for Hudson Bay Mining & Smelting Co., Ltd. Mr. Njegovan holds a Bachelor of Science Mining Engineering from Michigan Technological University and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Manitoba.

Bill Washington was the Head of Global Mining & Metals at National Bank Financial Markets from July 2011 until his retirement from the firm at the end of 2015. He joined National Bank as part of the acquisition of Wellington West Capital Markets where he had served as the Head of Investment Banking since August 2004. Prior to joining Wellington, and always focused exclusively on the mining sector, Mr. Washington worked as an investment banker at National Bank Financial/First Marathon, Gordon Capital and Lancaster Financial/TD Securities from 1994. Prior to entering investment banking he worked as a civil engineer on major infrastructure projects in the U.K., Spain and Hong Kong for six years. Mr. Washington holds a Bachelor of Applied Science (Civil Engineering) from the University of British Columbia, is a Chartered Civil Engineer in the UK and has an MBA from the University of Western Ontario (Ivey).

Materials in connection with the AGM will be mailed to shareholders on April 12, 2016.

ABOUT WESDOME

Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd. is in its 28th year of continuous gold mining operations in Canada. The Company is currently producing gold at the Eagle River Complex located near Wawa, Ontario from the Eagle River and Mishi gold mines. Wesdome's goal is to expand current operations at both mines over the next four years through mill expansion and exploration. Wesdome has significant upside through ownership of its two other properties, the Kiena Mine Complex in Val d'Or, Quebec and the Moss Lake gold deposit located 100 kilometres west of Thunder Bay, Ontario. These assets are being explored and evaluated to be developed in the appropriate gold price environment. The Company has approximately 118 million shares issued and outstanding and trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "WDO".

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