

B.C. Supreme Court Approves Kootenay Silver - Northair Silver Business Combination

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VANCOUVER, Apr 19, 2016 - [Northair Silver Corp.](#) (TSX VENTURE:INM) ("Northair") and [Kootenay Silver Inc.](#) (TSX VENTURE:KTN) ("Kootenay") are pleased to announce that Northair obtained a final order from the Supreme Court of British Columbia today approving the previously announced business combination, pursuant to which Kootenay will acquire Northair. See the joint news releases dated January 13 and February 8, 2016 for further details.

Under the terms of the combination, Kootenay will acquire all the issued and outstanding common shares of Northair in exchange for 0.35 of a common share of Kootenay, plus 0.15 of a warrant to purchase Kootenay common shares at an exercise price of \$0.55 for a period of five years from closing (the "Kootenay Consideration Warrants"), for each Northair share held.

Closing of the business combination is currently anticipated to occur on Thursday, April 21, 2016. Assuming an April 21 closing date, the last trading day for Northair shares on the TSX Venture Exchange is expected to be Wednesday, April 20, 2016 and the Northair shares are expected to be de-listed as of Thursday, April 21, 2016.

The Kootenay Consideration Warrants are currently expected to be listed for trading on the TSX Venture Exchange for market open on Friday, April 22, 2016. Any changes to the aforementioned dates will be disclosed on a timely basis.

Qualified Persons

The Northair disclosure of a scientific or technical nature contained in this news release was reviewed by David Ernst, a professional geologist and vice-president of exploration of Northair, who is a Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of NI 43-101.

The Kootenay Silver technical information in this news release has been prepared in accordance with the Canadian regulatory requirements set out in NI 43-101 and reviewed on behalf Kootenay Silver by James McDonald, P.Geo, President, CEO & Director for Kootenay, a Qualified Person.

About Northair

Northair is focused on advancing its flagship La Cigarra silver project located in the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, 26 kilometres from the historic silver mining city of Parral. The property boasts nearby power, good road access, gentle topography, established infrastructure and currently hosts a NI 43-101 Resource estimate of 51.47 million ounces of silver in the Measured & Indicated categories grading 86.3 g/t silver and 11.46 million ounces of silver in the Inferred category grading 80 g/t silver. The mineralized system at La Cigarra has been traced over 6.5 kilometres and is defined at surface as a silver soil anomaly and by numerous historic mine workings. The La Cigarra silver deposit is open along strike and at depth and is approximately 25km north, and along strike of Grupo Mexico's Santa Barbara mine and Minera Frisco's San Francisco del Oro mine.

About Kootenay

[Kootenay Silver Inc.](#) is an exploration company actively engaged in the discovery and development of mineral projects in the Sierra Madre Region of Mexico and in British Columbia, Canada. The Company's top priority is the advancement of precious metals projects contained within its Promontorio Mineral Belt in Sonora, Mexico. This includes its La Negra high-grade silver discovery and its Promontorio Silver Resource. Kootenay's core objective is to develop near term discoveries and long-term sustainable growth. Management comprises proven professionals with extensive international experience in all aspects of mineral exploration, operations and venture capital markets. Multiple, ongoing J/V partnerships in Mexico and Canada maximize potential for additional new discoveries while maintaining minimal share dilution.

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The information in this news release has been prepared as at April 14, 2016. Certain statements in this news release, referred to herein as "forward-looking statements", constitute "forward-looking statements" under the provisions of Canadian provincial securities laws. These statements can be identified by the use of words such as "expected", "may", "will" or similar terms.

Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of factors and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by Kootenay and Northair as of the date of such statements, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies. Forward-looking statements in this press release relate to, among other things: anticipated benefits of the business combination (the "Transaction") to Kootenay and Northair and their respective securityholders; the pro rata shareholdings of the current shareholders of Northair in Kootenay; the timing and receipt of required stock exchange and regulatory approvals for the Transaction; the proposed closing date for the Transaction and the de-listing of the Northair shares and the listing of the Kootenay Consideration Warrants on the TSX Venture Exchange; ability of Kootenay and Northair to satisfy the other conditions to, and to complete, the Transaction; the closing of the Transaction; analyst coverage, liquidity and access to capital markets of Kootenay; length of the current market cycle and the requirements for an issuer to survive the current market cycle and future growth potential for Kootenay. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements.

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