Memorandum of Understanding With CPECC in Relation to West Ells Phase II Project Expansion

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HONG KONG and CALGARY, Mar 19, 2017 - The Board of Directors of <u>Sunshine Oilsands Ltd.</u> ("the Corporation" or "Sunshine") (HKSE:2012) is pleased to announce the following:

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On March 20, 2017 (Hong Kong Time) / March 19, 2017 (Calgary Time), the Corporation and China Petroleum Engineering & Construction Corporation (CPECC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") in relation to the West Ells Phase II ("Phase II") project expansion.

West Ells Phase I is currently in production with positive reservoir performance and the production volume is continuously increasing. The designed production capacity of Phase I is 5,000 barrels per day.

West Ells Phase II is an expansion of the Phase I project with an additional production capacity of 5,000 barrels per day. As at the date of this announcement, all 8 wells have already been drilled. Additional works required for the project expansion include reviewing and refining of some of the designs, completion works for the wells, and surface facility construction. The total capital required for completion of the Phase II is expected to be approximately USD\$50m as it will share most of the surface facilities with Phase I. Upon completion of Phase II, the total production capacity of West Ells will be 10,000 barrels per day.

The average production costs per barrel is expected to be significantly reduced after the Phase II expansion as fixed costs account for a significant portion of the production cost and can now be shared with the Phase II project.

CPECC and the Corporation will further explore and discuss the work of this expansion project. CPECC intends to work as the contractor and undertakes the engineering, procurement, construction and operation maintenance work.

The Corporation will provide further updates when the formal agreement is signed.

ABOUT SUNSHINE OILSANDS LTD.

The Corporation is a Calgary-based public corporation listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange since March 1, 2012. The Corporation is focused on the development of its significant holdings of oil sands leases in the Athabasca oil sands region of Alberta, Canada. The Corporation owns interests in approximately one million acres of oil sands and petroleum and natural gas leases in the Athabasca region. The Corporation is currently focused on executing milestone undertakings in the West Ells project area. West Ells has an initial production target rate of 5,000 barrels per day.

FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This announcement contains forward-looking information relating to, among other things, (a) the future financial performance and objectives of Sunshine; and (b) the plans and expectations of the Corporation. Such forward-looking information is subject to various risks, uncertainties and other factors. All statements

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(a corporation incorporated under the Business Corporations Act of the Province of Alberta, Canada with limited liability)

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By Order of the Board of Sunshine Oilsands Ltd.

Sun Kwok Ping, Executive Chairman

Hong Kong, March 20, 2017

Calgary, March 19, 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the Board consists of Mr. Kwok Ping Sun, Mr. Hong Luo, Dr. Qi Jiang and Mr. Qiping Men as executive directors; Mr. Michael John Hibberd, Mr. Jianzhong Chen and Ms. Xijuan Jiang as non- executive directors; and Mr. Raymond Shengti Fong, Mr. Gerald Franklin Stevenson, Ms. Joanne Yan and Mr. Yi He as independent non-executive directors.

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