

Kerr Mines Appoints Bonifacio as CEO and Announces Closing of Private Placement

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TORONTO, April 15, 2019 - [Kerr Mines Inc.](#) (TSX: KER, OTC: KERMF, FRA: 7AZ1) (“Kerr” or the “Company”) is very pleased to announce that Mr. Giulio T. Bonifacio has assumed the position of Chief Executive Officer in addition to his current role as Director. As part of this transition, Mr. Claudio Ciavarella will assume the role of Executive Vice Chairman and will work closely with Mr. Bonifacio to advance the Company’s Copperstone Mine project to production.

Mr. Bonifacio was the Founder, President and Director of Nevada Copper since its inception in 2005 until his retirement in 2018. Over this 13-year period, he led and directed efforts at every stage of Nevada Copper’s development which included resource expansion, feasibility studies, successful permitting of both the underground and open pit deposits and the initial construction phase at the Pumpkin Hollow project located in Nevada. Pumpkin Hollow is currently targeted to commence production in Q4 2019.

Over his 30 years of experience in senior executive roles in the mining industry, Mr. Bonifacio has raised directly over US\$500 million in capital through equity and project debt financings for projects of merit as well as being involved in corporate transactions aggregating in excess of US\$1 billion. Mr. Bonifacio is a Chartered Professional Accountant with extensive experience and knowledge of operations, project finance, capital markets and mergers and acquisitions.

Giulio T. Bonifacio, Chief Executive Officer stated: “I look forward to working with the Board and Management to advance Copperstone to commercial production in the near term. Copperstone is well advanced with permits, 14,000 feet of underground development, an existing 600 ton/day mill and infrastructure, all of which will lead to very manageable capital requirements while also allowing for a shortened construction period. I am also very excited about the multi-million ounce exploration potential of the project which has not been fully tested and explored.”

Fahad al Tamimi, Chairman stated “I would like to welcome the appointment of Mr. Bonifacio as our Chief Executive Officer. Giulio has the knowledge, experience and belief in this project to lead us forward and take the next important steps to achieving our strategic objectives.”

“I would like to thank Mr. Ciavarella for his dedication to advancing the Company over the past two years, the Company has taken great strides during this time. We look forward to Claudio’s continued involvement as a Board member and major shareholder of the Company.”

Private Placement

The Company has completed a non-brokered private placement offering of 3,350,000 units of the Company (“Units”) at a price of CDN\$0.14 per Unit for gross proceeds of CDN\$469,000 (the “Offering”). Mr. Bonifacio subscribed for 3,000,000 Units of the Offering and Peter Damouni, a director of the Company, subscribed for 350,000 Units of the Offering.

Each Unit consists of one common share of the Company (a “Common Share”) and one Common Share purchase warrant (a “Warrant”). Each Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one Common Share at a price of CDN\$0.21 per Common Share until April 15, 2021 provided that if, at any time the Common Shares trade on a stock exchange at a volume weighted average trading price of CDN\$0.30, or greater, per Common Share for a period of 20 consecutive trading days, the Company may accelerate the expiry date of the Warrants by giving notice to the holders thereof and in such case the Warrants will expire on the 30th day after the date on which such notice is given by the Company.

The securities issued and issuable pursuant to the Offering will be subject to a four month and one day

statutory hold period. The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering for continued mineral exploration and development and for general working capital purposes.

The securities offered have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), or applicable state securities laws, and may not be offered or sold to persons in the United States absent registration or an exemption from such registration requirements. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.

The issuance and sale of Units under the Offering to Mr. Bonifacio and Mr. Damouni, as insiders of the Company, constituted related party transactions within the meaning of Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - *Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions* ("MI 61-101"). The Company is relying on the exemptions from the valuation and minority shareholder approval requirements of MI 61-101 contained in sections 5.5(a) and 5.7(1)(a) of MI 61-101, as the fair market value of the participation in the Offering by each insider will not exceed 25% of the market capitalization of the Company, as determined in accordance with MI 61-101. The Company did not file a material change report in respect of the related party transaction at least 21 days before the closing of the Offering, which the Company deems reasonable in the circumstances so as to be able to avail itself of the proceeds of the Offering in an expeditious manner.

About Kerr Mines Inc.

Kerr Mines is an Emerging American Gold Producer currently advancing the 100% owned, fully permitted past-producing Copperstone Mine project to production. Copperstone is a high-grade gold project located along a detachment fault mineral belt in mining-friendly Arizona. This gold project in Arizona demonstrates tremendous exploration potential targeting multi-million ounce targets within a 50 square kilometer (12,260 acres) land package.

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