# Excellon Resources Inc. Announces Q4 And Annual 2021 Production Results

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TORONTO, Jan. 17, 2022 - Excellon Resources Inc. (TSX: EXN) (NYSE: EXN) (FRA: E4X2) ("Excellon" or the "Company") is pleased to announce Q4 and annual 2021 production results from the Platosa Mine in Durango, Mexico.

## 2021 Production (compared to 2020)

- Silver equivalent ("AgEq") production increased 25% to 2.0 million oz (2020 1.6 million AgEq oz), including:
- Silver production increased 20% to 1.2 million oz (2020 1.0 million oz)
  - Lead production increased 17% to 7.6 million lb (2020 6.5 million lb)
  - Zinc production increased 20% to 9.0 million lb (2020 7.5 million lb)

## Q4 2021 Production (compared to Q4 2020)

- AgEq production decreased 12% to 492,013 oz (Q4 2020 556,332 AgEq oz), including:
- Silver production decreased 24% to 271,525 oz (Q4 2020 355,581 oz)
  - Lead production decreased 23% to 1.7 million lb (Q4 2020 2.2 million lb)
  - Zinc production decreased 12% to 2.2 million lb (Q4 2020 2.5 million lb)

"Our Mexican operations delivered records for mined and processed tonnage in 2021, along with the most silver ounces produced since 2013," stated Brendan Cahill, President and CEO. "During Q4, we realized lower production than the very strong Q4 2020 quarter, primarily due to lower ore grades and partially due to seasonal impacts on processing and delivery schedules. At Platosa, we continue work to assess 2022 mine plans and outlook."

**Production Results** 

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	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	2021	2020
Tonnes Mined	20,954	21,455	85,530	66,501
Tonnes Milled	21,309	22,626	86,021	65,567
Ore grades				
Silver (g/t)	438	536	494	519
Lead (%)	4.65	5.42	5.01	5.37
Zinc (%)	5.50	6.12	6.03	6.57
Recoveries				
Silver (%)	90.5	91.2	89.5	91.4
Lead (%)	78.5	82.9	80.0	83.7
Zinc (%)	83.7	80.1	79.0	78.9
Metal Production <sup>(1)</sup>				
Silver (oz)	271,525	355,581	1,222,991	997,690
Lead (lb)	1,717,525	2,223,465	7,612,332	6,470,637
Zinc (lb)	2,167,840	2,452,728	9,014,028	7,488,825
AgEq (oz) <sup>(2)</sup>		556,332		
Average Realized Prices				
Silver (US\$/oz)	23.30	24.46	25.12	21.59
	1.06	0.87	1.00	0.83
Zinc (US\$/lb)	1.53	1.21	1.37	1.08

- 1. Subject to adjustment following settlement with concentrate purchaser.
- 2. AgEq ounces established using average realized metal prices during the period indicated applied to the recovered metal content of concentrates.

Consistent throughput continued in Q4 2021, the sixth consecutive quarter of over 20,000 tonnes mined and milled from Platosa following the restart of operations in late Q2 2020. Comparative prior-year results for the year ended December 31, 2020 were impacted by the suspension of operations in Mexico from April 2, 2020 to June 1, 2020 pursuant to the Mexican presidential order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Head grades were lower in Q4 2021 compared to Q4 2020 due to higher mining dilution in narrower sections of the ore body and variation in manto mineralization. Silver and lead recoveries were lower due to lower metal feed grades and flotation performance, while zinc recoveries improved in Q4 2021.

As referenced on January 5, 2022, Excellon continues to assess whether maintaining a consistent production schedule at the Platosa Mine is feasible beyond mid-2022 at achievable dewatering rates and with acceptable capital expenditures.

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Excellon continues to benefit from robust measures to prevent COVID-19 among the workforce and to monitor the effectiveness of these measures in mitigating any potential impact on business activities. The Company's actions have been successful to date and the pandemic has not had any material impact on production or shipment of concentrate. Vaccination programs have progressed well, with 100% and over 96% of the Company's workforce in Mexico having received first and second vaccinations, respectively. Until recently, the omicron variant of COVID was less prevalent in Mexico than elsewhere, but case counts have increased across the country and in communities near the Company's operations. To date, no serious cases have been encountered in the Company's workforce and there has been no impact on the operations. The Company continues to monitor the situation closely and has personnel and operating contingency plans in place to manage daily operations.

#### **Qualified Persons**

Paul Keller, P. Eng., has acted as the Qualified Person, as defined in NI 43-101, with respect to the disclosure of the scientific and technical information relating to production results contained in this press release.

#### About Excellon

Excellon's vision is to create wealth by realizing strategic opportunities through discipline and innovation for the benefit of our employees, communities and shareholders. The Company is advancing a precious metals growth pipeline that includes: Platosa, a high-grade silver mine producing in Mexico since 2005; Kilgore, an advanced gold exploration project in Idaho with strong economics and significant growth and discovery potential; and an option on Silver City, a high-grade epithermal silver district in Saxony, Germany with 750 years of mining history and no modern exploration. The Company also aims to continue capitalizing on current market conditions by acquiring undervalued projects.

Additional details on Excellon's properties are available at www.excellonresources.com.

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