



Panoro Announces the Approval of the Environmental Impact Assessment Expansion at Cotabambas Project, Peru

Vancouver, B.C., Aug 20, 2018 – **Panoro Minerals Ltd.** (TSXV: PML, Lima: PML, Frankfurt: PZM) (“Panoro”, the “Company”- http://www.commodity-tv.net/c/search_adv/?v=298438) Panoro is pleased to report the approval of the expansion of the Semi-detailed Environmental Impact Assessment (EIASd) for the Cotabambas Project in Peru. This is the second expansion approved to the original EIASd and includes the area of the Chaupec Skarn target zone.

“The approval of the expansion of the EIASd allows Panoro to extend its exploration drilling program into the highly prospective areas of Cluster 2. Cluster 2 has been the subject of extensive recent mapping, sampling and geophysical survey studies by Panoro. These studies have identified the occurrence of skarn Cu-Au-Ag mineralization over extensive areas. Panoro’s exploration plans for Cluster 2 will target the addition of high grade near surface skarn mineralization to the current mine plan to further enhance the economics of the project. The scale of the resource potential in Cluster 2 may be significant with the potential to increase the scale of the project identified in the current PEA”, stated Luquman Shaheen, President & CEO.

The Ministry of Energy and Mines of Peru approved the second modification of the EIASd of the Cotabambas project expanding the approved area for exploration from 1,401 hectares to 2,923 hectares. The original approved area permitted 311 drilling platforms in the area of the Ccalla, Azulccaca, Guacile, Petra-David and María José targets in Cluster 1. The expanded area, of 1,522 hectares located to the west of the original area, as shown on the linked plan, permits an additional 295 drilling platforms to explore the geologic targets of the Zones I, II and III of the Chaupec Skarn target zone in Cluster 2.

The first phase of the 2018 drilling campaign was completed in Cluster 1 in April with a total of 2,172 meters of drilling. The second phase is planned to start soon in the Cluster 2, into the Chaupec Skarn Target.

Distribution of the exploration areas in the Cotabambas Project– EIASd Polygons can be found here:
https://panoro.com/site/assets/files/3990/12_-_map_for_panoro_press_release_august_20_cotabambas.pdf

About Panoro

Panoro Minerals is a uniquely positioned Peru focused copper exploration and development company. The Company is advancing its flagship project, Cotabambas Copper-Gold-Silver Project and its Antilla Copper-Molybdenum Project, both located in the strategically important area of southern Peru. The Company is well financed to expand, enhance and advance its projects in the region where infrastructure such as railway, roads, ports, water supply, power generation and transmission are readily available and expanding quickly. The region boasts the recent investment of over US\$15 billion into the construction or expansion of four large open pit copper mines.

Since 2007, the Company has completed over 80,000 meters of exploration drilling at these two key projects leading to substantial increases in the mineral resource base for each, as summarized in the table below.

Summary of Cotabambas and Antilla Project Resources

| Project | Resource Classification | Million Tonnes | Cu (%) | Au (g/t) | Ag (g/t) | Mo (%) |
|---|-------------------------|----------------|--------|----------|----------|--------|
| Cotabambas Cu/Au/Ag | Indicated | 117.1 | 0.42 | 0.23 | 2.74 | 0.001 |
| | Inferred | 605.3 | 0.31 | 0.17 | 2.33 | 0.002 |
| @ 0.20% CuEq cutoff, effective October 2013, Tetrattech | | | | | | |
| Antilla Cu/Mo | Indicated | 291.8 | 0.34 | - | - | 0.01 |

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| | Inferred | 90.5 | 0.26 | - | - | 0.007 |
| @ 0.175% CuEq cutoff, effective May 2016, Tetrattech | | | | | | |

Preliminary Economic Assessments (PEA) have been completed for both the Cotabambas and Antilla Projects, the key results are summarized below.

Summary of Cotabambas and Antilla Project PEA Results

| Key Project Parameters | | | Cotabambas Cu/Au/Ag Project ¹ | Antilla Cu Project ² |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Process Feed, life of mine | | million tonnes | 483.1 | 118.7 |
| Process Feed, daily | | Tonnes | 80,000 | 20,000 |
| Strip Ratio, life of mine | | | 1.25 : 1 | 1.37 : 1 |
| Before Tax ¹ | NPV _{7.5%} | million USD | 1,053 | 520 |
| | IRR | % | 20.4 | 34.7 |
| | Payback | years | 3.2 | 2.6 |
| After Tax ¹ | NPV _{7.5%} | million USD | 684 | 305 |
| | IRR | % | 16.7 | 25.9 |
| | Payback | years | 3.6 | 3.0 |
| Annual Average Payable Metals | Cu | thousand tonnes | 70.5 | 21.0 |
| | Au | thousand ounces | 95.1 | - |
| | Ag | thousand ounces | 1,018.4 | - |
| | Mo | thousand tonnes | - | - |
| Initial Capital Cost | | million USD | 1,530 | 250 |
| 1. Project economics estimated at commodity prices of: Cu = US\$3.00/lb, Au = US\$1,250/oz, Ag = US\$18.50/oz, Mo = US\$12/lb 2. Project economics estimated at long term commodity price of Cu = US\$3.05/lb and Short term commodity price of Cu = US\$3.20, US\$3.15 and US\$3.10 for Years 1,2 and 3 of operations, respectively. | | | | |

The PEAs are considered preliminary in nature and include Inferred Mineral Resources that are considered too speculative to have the economic considerations applied that would enable classification as Mineral Reserves. There is no certainty that the conclusions within the updated PEA will be realized. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.

Luis Vela, a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical information in this press release.

On behalf of the Board of **Panoro Minerals Ltd.**

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