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Santacruz Silver Closes First Tranche of Non-Brokered Private Placement

Vancouver, B.C. – Santacruz Silver Mining Ltd. (TSX.V:SCZ) (the “Company” or “Santacruz”) reports that further to its news release dated June 28, 2017, it has closed, for gross proceeds of \$935,000, the first tranche of the previously announced non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of up to \$1,500,000 (the “Private Placement”).

The Company sold 4,675,000 units (the “Units”) pursuant to the Offering at price of \$0.20 per Unit. Each unit consisted of one common share of the Company and one common share purchase warrant (a “Warrant”). Each Warrant entitles the holder to acquire one common share of the Company at a price of \$0.28 per share for a period of 30 months expiring on January 27, 2020. Robert McMorran, the Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary of the Company, purchased 625,000 Units and Roland Löhner, a director of the Company, purchased 1,000,000 Units for aggregate proceeds of \$325,000. Their participation is considered to be a “related party transaction” within the meaning of TSXV Policy 5.9 and Multilateral Instrument 61-101 (“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 in respect of such participation as neither the fair market value of the shares issued to, nor the consideration paid by, such persons exceeds 25% of the Company's market capitalization.

The net proceeds from the Private Placement will be used for general working capital and corporate purposes, as applicable. All securities issued pursuant to the Private Placement are subject to a statutory hold period of four months plus one day from the date of issuance, in accordance with applicable securities legislation, expiring on November 28, 2017.

In connection with the first tranche of the Private Placement, the Company paid finders' fees totalling an aggregate of \$29,400, which represents 6% of the gross proceeds from subscribers introduced by such finders.

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About Santacruz Silver Mining Ltd.

Santacruz is a Mexican focused silver company with two producing silver projects (Rosario, including the Cinco Estrellas property and Membrillo Vein, and the right to operate the Veta Grande silver project and milling facility); and three exploration properties including the Gavilanes property, Minillas property and Zacatecas properties. The Company is managed by a technical team of professionals with proven track records in developing, operating and discovering silver mines in Mexico. Our corporate objective is to become a mid-tier silver producer.

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Rosario Project

The decisions to commence production at the Rosario Mine, Cinco Estrellas Property and Membrillo Prospect were not based on a feasibility study of mineral reserves demonstrating economic and technical viability, but rather on a more preliminary estimate of inferred mineral resources. Accordingly, there is increased uncertainty and economic and technical risks of failure associated with this production decision. Production and economic variables may vary considerably, due to the absence of a complete and detailed site analysis according to and in accordance with NI 43-101.

Veta Grande Project

The decision to commence production at Veta Grande Project was not based on a feasibility study on mineral reserves demonstrating economic and technical viability. Accordingly, there is increased uncertainty and economic and technical risks of failure associated with this production decision. Production and economic variables may vary considerably due to the absence of a complete and detailed site analysis according to and in accordance with NI 43-101.