

MCEWEN MINING APPOINTS DONALD BROWN AS SR. VICE PRESIDENT, PROJECTS

TORONTO, August 22, 2016 - McEwen Mining Inc. (NYSE: MUX) (TSX: MUX) is pleased to announce that Mr. Donald Brown will join the Company on August 29, 2016 as our Senior Vice President of Projects. Mr. Brown has a proven track record of delivering superior results and will lead the advancement and future development of our portfolio of global assets including the Los Azules copper project in Argentina and the El Gallo Silver project in Mexico, as well as assisting our current team with the ongoing development of the Gold Bar project in Nevada.

Mr. Brown is a seasoned mining professional having previously held roles as Vice President of Projects for Glencore and Construction Manager for Bechtel Mines and Metals. He has worked on many large scale mining projects in all stages of feasibility, development and operations such as Antamina, Las Bambas and Antapaccay in Peru, and El Pachon in Argentina. Mr. Brown holds a Masters of Science in Rock Mechanics and Mining Engineering from Newcastle University, he is a Chartered Professional Engineer (Australia) and also a Registered Mine Manager (Australia).

"We are very pleased to welcome Donald to our team. He comes with considerable experience in large and complex precious and base metal projects internationally, which I believe will better position us to grow organically from the development of our extensive portfolio of assets," said Rob McEwen, Chairman and Chief Owner.

About McEwen Mining (www.mcewenmining.com)

McEwen Mining's goal is to qualify for inclusion in the S&P 500 Index by creating a high growth, profitable gold and silver producer focused in the Americas and Europe. McEwen Mining's principal assets consist of the San José Mine in Santa Cruz, Argentina (49% interest), the El Gallo Mine and El Gallo Silver project in Sinaloa, Mexico, the Gold Bar project in Nevada, USA, and the Los Azules copper project in San Juan, Argentina.

McEwen Mining has a total of 299 million shares outstanding and 305 million fully diluted. Rob McEwen, Chairman and Chief Owner, owns 25% of the Company.

CAUTION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This news release contains certain forward-looking statements and information, including "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements and information expressed, as at the date of this news release, McEwen Mining Inc.'s (the "Company") estimates, forecasts, projections, expectations or beliefs as to future events and results. Forward-looking statements and information are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties, risks and contingencies, and there can be no assurance that such statements and information will prove to be accurate. Therefore, actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements and information. Risks and uncertainties that could cause results or future events to differ materially from current expectations expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements and information include, but are not limited to, factors associated with fluctuations in the market price of precious metals, mining industry risks, political, economic, social and security risks associated with foreign operations, the ability of the corporation to receive or receive in a timely manner permits or other approvals required in connection with operations, risks associated with the construction of mining operations and commencement of production and the projected costs thereof, risks related to litigation, the state of the capital markets, environmental risks and hazards, uncertainty as to calculation of mineral resources and reserves, and other risks.

The Company's dividend policy will be reviewed periodically by the Board of Directors and is subject to change based on certain factors such as the capital needs of the Company and its future operating results. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements or information included herein, which speak only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no obligation to reissue or update forward-looking statements or information as a result of new information or events after the date hereof except as may be required by law. See McEwen Mining's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, under the caption "Risk Factors", for additional information on risks, uncertainties and other factors relating to the forward-looking statements and information regarding the Company. All forward-looking statements and information made in this news release are qualified by this cautionary statement.

The NYSE and TSX have not reviewed and do not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of the contents of this news release, which has been prepared by management of McEwen Mining Inc.

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