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### **Abacus closes unit offering of \$1,020,000**

Vancouver, BC – March 8, 2017. Abacus Mining & Exploration Corporation ("Abacus" or the "Company") (TSXV:AME) is pleased to report that the previously announced non-brokered private placement unit offering (the "Offering") has closed.

Pursuant to the Offering, the Company has issued 20,400,000 units ("Units") at a price of C\$0.05 per Unit, for gross proceeds to the Company of \$1,020,000. Each Unit consists of one common share and one-half of a non-transferable common share purchase warrant. Each full warrant will be exercisable to purchase one common share at a price of C\$0.08 per common share for three years from the date of closing.

No finder's fees were payable on the financing, and all securities issued will be subject to a four month hold period under Canadian securities law. The financing is subject to TSX Venture Exchange (TSXV) approval.

Upon completion of the financing, the Company will have approximately \$2 million in its treasury. Proceeds from the financing will be applied towards the Company's exploration commitments under the Option Agreement for the Willow copper-gold property located in Nevada, and general working capital and corporate purposes.

On Behalf of the Board,  
ABACUS MINING & EXPLORATION CORPORATION

Michael McInnis  
Chairman, President & CEO

#### **About Abacus**

Abacus is a mineral exploration and mine development company with a 20% interest in the Ajax Project located at the historic Ajax-Afton site southwest of Kamloops, B.C., and an option to acquire up to a 75% interest in the Willow copper-gold property located in Nevada. The Ajax Project is a proposed copper-gold open-pit mine currently undergoing a provincial and federal environmental assessment process. Through KGHM Ajax Mining Inc., a joint venture company between Abacus (20%) and KGHM Polska Miedz S.A. (KGHM) (80%), the Ajax Mine is being funded in large part by KGHM and operated by its wholly-owned subsidiary, KGHM International Ltd. For the latest reports and information on Abacus' projects, please refer to the Company's website at [www.amemining.com](http://www.amemining.com).

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