

Montana Exploration Corp. Announces Closing of Shares for Debt Transaction

CALGARY, March 22, 2017 /CNW/ - Montana Exploration Corp. ("**Montana**" or the "**Corporation**") (TSXV:MTZ) is pleased to announce that the Corporation has completed the settlement agreements (the "**Settlement Agreements**") with certain of its creditors, whereby the Corporation has issued common shares of the Corporation at a deemed price of \$0.195 per common share in full and final settlement of the amounts owing to such creditors (the "**Shares for Debt Settlement**"). Pursuant to the Settlement Agreements, the Corporation settled an aggregate of \$309,957.47 in indebtedness by issuing a total of 1,589,527 common shares to creditors. Ian Page, Vice President of Exploration of the Corporation, settled \$91,107.47 of debt as part of the transaction.

The common shares issued pursuant to the Shares for Debt Settlement represent 2.7% of the issued and outstanding common shares of Corporation following the completion of the transaction. All common shares issued in connection with the Shares for Debt Transaction were approved by the TSX Venture Exchange and are subject to a four-month statutory hold period, in accordance with applicable securities legislation. The board and management of the Corporation believe that the Shares for Debt Settlement is in the best interests of Montana in order to move the Corporation forward and reduce its working capital deficiency.

The Shares for Debt Settlement did not create a new control person of the Corporation.

About Montana Exploration Corp.

Montana is a Canadian junior oil and gas exploration and production company focusing on the and Shaunavon oil and Eagle gas opportunities underlying its extensive land holdings in the state of Montana. In the United States the company operates through its wholly owned subsidiary, Montana Land & Exploration, Inc. Montana's common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the trading symbol "MTZ". Additional information regarding Montana is available under Montana's profile at www.sedar.com or at Montana's website, www.montanaexplorationcorp.com.

Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains statements that constitute "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements" (collectively "forward-looking information") within the meaning of applicable securities legislation. Forward-looking information is often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "anticipate", "believe", "expect", "plan", "intend", "forecast", "target", "project", "guidance", "may", "will", "should", "could", "estimate", "predict" or similar words suggesting future outcomes or language suggesting an outlook. These forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements relating to the debts to be settled under the Shares for Debt Settlement, the price of the common shares to be issued pursuant to such transaction and the ability of the Corporation to execute on the Shares for Debt Settlement.

Forward-looking statements and information contained in this press release are based on our current beliefs as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, us. Although we consider these assumptions to be reasonable based on information currently available to us, they may prove to be incorrect.

By their very nature, the forward-looking statements included in this press release involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and risks that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause the actual results to differ materially from the beliefs, plans, objectives, expectations and anticipations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements.

Furthermore, the forward-looking statements contained in this press release are made as of the date of this document and we do not undertake any obligation to update publicly or to revise any of the included forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law. The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement.

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