Auryn Appoints Antonio Arribas to the Board

Vancouver, British Columbia – August 17, 2015 – Auryn Resources Inc. (TSXV: AUG, OTCQX: GGTCF) ("**Auryn**" or the "**Company**"), is pleased to announce that it has appointed Antonio Arribas as a Director of the Company.

Antonio Arribas holds a BA and MSc in Geology from the Universidad de Salamanca and a PhD from the University of Michigan. He is a world-renowned expert in his field with over 20 years experience in the resources industry across multiple companies, commodities and geographic regions. Mr. Arribas has held a variety of positions including Vice President Geoscience at BHP Billiton Minerals Exploration in Singapore (2013), Senior Manager Geosciences at Newmont Mining Corp. (2012) in Denver, Colorado, and Exploration Manager South America at Placer Dome Exploration in Reno, Nevada (2006). Mr. Arribas is currently an Adjunct Professor at the University of Michigan and at James Cook University in Townsville, Australia. He is an experienced lecturer and has contributed to over 40 publications. In 2013, Mr. Arribas was elected President of The Society of Economic Geologists, Inc., (SEG) where he continues to be a member.

Shawn Wallace, President and CEO, commented: "We are very fortunate to have someone of Antonio's calibre, knowledge and experience joining Auryn. Antonio's background in economic geology coupled with his experience and global exposure will be invaluable to the Company as we pursue the discovery of major gold districts."

Auryn also announces that it has granted 1,280,000 incentive options to directors, officers and employees of the Company with an exercise price of $1.30 per share.

On Behalf of the Board,

Shawn Wallace
President, CEO and Director

About Auryn Resources: Auryn Resources is a junior mining exploration company focused on delivering shareholder value through project acquisition and development. The Company's management team is highly experienced with an impressive track record of success in the discovery, development, financing and monetizing of mining assets for shareholders.

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