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PRESS RELEASE

SOUTHERN SUN MINERALS APPOINTS RICK WILSON DIRECTOR

January 15, 2016 – Vancouver, BC **SOUTHERN SUN MINERALS INC. (“SOUTHERN SUN”)** (TSX-V: SSI) is pleased to announce that Mr. Rick Wilson has joined the Board of Directors of Southern Sun. Rick has been in the mining and natural resource industry for over twenty years. Since 2006, Rick has been the President of Regent Ventures Ltd., a company engaged in the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral resource properties. Prior to serving as its President, Rick was a director of Regent Ventures from 1993 to 2006.

Rick served as the President of Emerson Explorations/GBS Gold International Inc. from 1998 to 2006, during which time that company raised over \$62 million dollars to acquire and develop two publicly trading Australian gold mines.

As Southern Sun moves forward with the development of the Alkali Lake project in Nevada and the review of other mining prospects, management has initiated the process to rename the company “Nevada Energy Metals Inc.”

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

Harry Barr
Chairman & CEO

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