



McEwen Mining Provides Operations Update and Withdraws Production Guidance Due to COVID-19 Pandemic

TORONTO, March 20, 2020 - McEwen Mining Inc. (NYSE: MUX) (TSX: MUX) reports on the current impacts of COVID-19 on our operations.

- The government of Argentina has declared a state of emergency and imposed a nationwide mandatory quarantine starting today to reduce the spread of COVID-19. As a result, our 49%-owned San José mine has temporarily halted operations effective today, through at least March 31, 2020. The mine site will continue to be staffed by a reduced workforce to ensure appropriate safety, security, and environmental systems are maintained.
- Work at the Los Azules copper project in Argentina is also suspended until further notice.
- With the confirmed presence of COVID-19 in the Timmins region, our Black Fox operation is implementing numerous safety measures in addition to very strict site access and employee screening measures already in place: all non-essential staff and second-in-command managers will be working from home, employees who must travel by plane or for more than 4 hours have been asked not to return to the site, payroll will be isolated off site, group meetings have been discontinued, data is being collected on employee family health status, and numerous other measures.
- As a consequence of the suspension of mining at San José and uncertainty related to the potential impact of COVID-19 on our other operations, we are withdrawing all previously announced production and costs guidance for 2020.

McEwen Mining's mines in Ontario, Nevada, and Mexico are currently continuing to operate. The measures being taken to combat COVID-19 by the Company and local authorities in each of the jurisdictions where we operate are changing rapidly. We are closely monitoring the situation at our mine sites and in the local communities. McEwen Mining Inc. will be following the guidelines and directions set out by the local public health authorities.

Reliability of Information Regarding San José

Minera Santa Cruz S.A. (MSC), the owner of the San José Mine, is responsible for and has supplied to the Company all reported results from the San José Mine. McEwen Mining's joint venture partner, a subsidiary of Hochschild Mining plc, and its affiliates other than MSC do not accept responsibility for the use of project data or the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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ABOUT MCEWEN MINING

McEwen Mining is a diversified gold and silver producer and explorer with operating mines in Nevada, Canada, Mexico and Argentina. It also owns a large copper deposit in Argentina. McEwen's goal is to create a profitable gold and silver producer focused in the Americas.

McEwen Mining has approximately 400 million shares outstanding. Rob McEwen, Chairman and Chief Owner, owns 20% of the shares.

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