

## NEWS RELEASE

### **Oceanus Reports Assay Results and Mobilizes Diamond Drill to its El Tigre Property in Sonora, Mexico**

**HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA – June 28, 2016** – Oceanus Resources Corporation (TSXV:OCN) ("Oceanus" or the "Company") is pleased to provide new assays results from its ongoing infill gap sampling program on the legacy diamond drill core at its 100% owned El Tigre Property in Sonora, Mexico. Oceanus disclosed the results from the first 28 drill holes located between Sections 4400N and 4000N in press releases dated March 7, 2016 and May 16, 2016. The company has now released results from 53 holes over a strike length of 1675 meters along the El Tigre deposit (Sections 4975N to 3300N).

This update includes new assay data from 987 drill core samples collected from 25 holes. The new results are from 4 holes located north of Section 4400N and 21 holes south of Section 4000N. Results are pending for an additional 6 holes located between Sections 5100N and 4750N. The goals of the sampling program are to "twin" several of the high grade intersections identified by the original sampling in 2013 and to assay sections of the core not previously sampled to provide complete assay coverage over the length of the holes.

These assay results continue to indicate a broader halo of gold and silver mineralization than previously recognized. This wide zone of gold and silver mineralization, which starts at surface, may have future potential for open pit bulk mining. After Oceanus included the new assay results for the legacy diamond drill holes, the mineralized intercept for select holes are as follows:

- Hole ET-10-031 – **92.9 meters of 0.80 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 0.39 g/t gold and 30.4 g/t silver; including 7.5 meters of 2.07 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 1.11 g/t gold and 72.6 g/t silver.**
- Hole ET-10-033 – **48.6 meters of 1.46 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 0.61 g/t gold and 63.9 g/t silver; including 9.5 meters of 5.46 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 1.80 g/t gold and 274.5 g/t silver.**
- Hole ET-13-081 – **48.5 meters of 0.72 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 0.52 g/t gold and 15.0 g/t silver; including 11.8 meters of 1.99 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 1.25 g/t gold and 56.0 g/t silver.**
- Hole ET-12-034 – **38.0 meters of 1.22 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 0.56 g/t gold and 49.5 g/t silver.**
- Hole ET-82-003 – **76.0 meters of 0.68 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 0.56 g/t gold and 8.8 g/t silver.**
- Hole ET-12-038 – **13.0 meters of 2.40 g/t gold equivalent consisting of 2.39 g/t gold and 0.6 g/t silver.**

True width has not been calculated for the above intercepts, but true width is generally estimated at 75-90% of drilled width.

Due to the slope of the hillside, many of the legacy drill holes are collared on the mineralization.

#### **Diamond Drilling to Begin**

Oceanus also announces that diamond drilling will commence at El Tigre. The drill and crew were mobilized this week and drilling is expected to begin during the first week of July. The initial phase of the 2016 drill program will consist of drilling several new holes near ET-13-051 and ET-13-064 to cross the entire width of the mineralized zone and end in the barren footwall rock; drill several holes to test the extension of the high grade clavos and to complete a fence of 4 drill holes across the entire mineralized zone

consisting of the Sooy Vein in the hanging wall, the central El Tigre Vein and the Seitz-Kelly Vein in the footwall.

### **Bought Deal Financing**

On June 21, 2016 Oceanus closed a bought deal financing for \$5.75 million co-led by Cantor Fitzgerald Canada and PI Financial.

### **El Tigre Acquisition**

On November 13, 2015 Oceanus and El Tigre closed the transaction that combined their respective companies by way of a statutory plan of arrangement pursuant to the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia). Oceanus acquired all of the outstanding common shares of El Tigre Silver Corp. in exchange for common shares of Oceanus.

### **El Tigre Property**

The El Tigre Property lies at the northern end of the Sierra Madre gold belt which hosts many of the larger epithermal gold and silver deposits including Ocampo, Pinos Altos, Dolores and Palmarejo. In 1896, gold was first discovered on the property in the Gold Hill area and mining started with the Brown Shaft in 1903. The focus soon changed to mining high-grade silver veins in the area with the majority of the production coming from the El Tigre vein. Underground mining on the El Tigre vein extended 1,450 meters along strike and mined on 14 levels to a depth of 450 meters. By the time the mine closed in 1938, it is reported to have produced a total of 353,000 ounces of gold and 67.4 million ounces of silver from 1.87 million tons (Craig, 2012).

The El Tigre Property is approximately 35 kilometers long and comprises 21,842.78 hectares. The El Tigre gold and silver deposit is related to a series of high-grade epithermal veins controlled by a north-south trending structure cutting across the andesitic and rhyolitic tuffs of the Sierra Madre Volcanic Complex within a broad gold and silver mineralized prophylic alternation zone. The veins dip steeply to the west and are typically 1 meter wide but locally can be up to 5 meters in width. The veins, structures and mineralized zones outcrop on surface and have been traced for a distance of 5.3 kilometers along strike. Historical mining and exploration activities focused on a 1.5 kilometer portion of the southern end of the deposits, principally on the El Tigre, Seitz Kelly and Sooy veins. Four veins in the north (Aguila, Escondida, Fundadora and Protectora) were explored with only limited amounts of production.

### **Past Drilling Programs**

From 1981 to 1984, Anaconda Minerals Company completed an extensive district scale exploration program including geological mapping, test work on the tailings as well as drilling 7,812 meters in 22 holes.

From 2011 to 2013 El Tigre Silver drilled a total of 59 diamond core holes totaling 9,411 meters of drill length to test the potential of the Sooy, El Tigre and Seitz-Kelly veins over a distance of about 1,500 m from the Espuelas Canyon to the Gold Hill area.

### **Lab Preparation and Assay**

The diamond drill core (HQ size) from the 2011 to 2013 El Tigre Silver programs has been stored inside the secure core storage facility. Portions of the drill core from the 1982 and 1983 Anaconda drilling programs are also stored inside the core storage facility. The core is geologically logged, photographed and marked for sampling. When the sample lengths are determined the full core is sawn with a diamond blade core saw with one half of the core being bagged and tagged for assay. The remaining half portion is returned to the core trays for storage and or for metallurgical test work. In sections where the core had been previously

sampled, the witness core was sawn in half (quartered) and the remaining quarter is returned to the core trays for storage.

The sealed and tagged sample bags are transported to the ActLabs facility in Zacatecas, Mexico. ActLabs crushes the samples and prepares 200-300 gram pulp samples with ninety percent passing Tyler 150 mesh (106µm). The pulps are assayed for gold using a 50 gram charge by fire assay (Code 1A2-50) and over limits greater than 10 grams per tonne are re-assayed using a gravimetric finish (Code 1A3-50). Silver and multi-element analysis is completed using total digestion (Code 1F2 Total Digestion ICP).

### **Quality Assurance / Quality Control and Data Verification**

Quality assurance and quality control ("QA/QC") procedures include the systematic insertion of blanks, standards and duplicates into the sample strings. The results of the assaying of the QA/QC material included in each batch are tracked to ensure the integrity of the assay data. All results stated in this announcement have passed Oceanus' QA/QC protocols.

### **Qualified Person**

David R. Duncan, P. Geo., a director of the Company, is the Qualified Person for Oceanus as defined under National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Duncan has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical information in this press release and has reviewed the Technical Report.

### **About Oceanus Resources Corporation**

Oceanus Resources Corporation is a gold exploration company operating in Mexico. Oceanus is managed by a team of experienced mine finders with extensive experience in exploring and developing large hydrothermal gold projects in Mexico.

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**APPENDIX A  
TABLE OF RESULTS**

<b>Drill Section</b>	<b>Hole ID</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>From (meters)</b>	<b>To (meters)</b>	<b>Length<sup>(1)</sup> (meters)</b>	<b>Au (g/t)</b>	<b>Ag (g/t)</b>	<b>AuEq<sup>(2)</sup> (g/t)</b>	<b>OCN Infill</b>
4975	ET-10-023*		36.2	62.6	<b>26.4</b>	0.13	13.6	0.31	0
		<i>and</i>	95.0	<b>145.3</b>	<b>50.3</b>	0.20	13.4	0.38	
4700	ET-10-028		17.1	21.0	3.9	0.27	3.0	0.25	45
		<i>and</i>	132.4	142.0	9.6	0.24	0.8	0.24	
		<i>and</i>	202.0	239.0	<b>37.0</b>	0.38	48.6	<b>0.79</b>	
		<i>including</i>	202.0	221.6	19.6	0.51	32.9	0.73	
		<i>Stope Backfill</i>	221.6	223.4	1.8	<b>1.59</b>	<b>314.0</b>	<b>5.78</b>	
		<i>including</i>	223.4	239.0	15.6	0.09	41.8	0.59	
		<i>and</i>	375.0	376.0	1.0	0.06	<b>603.0</b>	<b>8.10</b>	
4450	ET-13-081		7.0	34.0	<b>27.0</b>	0.34	1.3	0.36	42
		<i>and</i>	65.0	113.5	<b>48.5</b>	0.52	15.0	0.72	
		<i>including</i>	71.0	82.8	11.8	1.25	56.0	<b>1.99</b>	
			79.6	82.8	3.2	2.90	<b>193.8</b>	<b>5.49</b>	
4450	ET-13-080*		104.0	110.6	6.6	0.51	1.46	0.53	58
			122.0	128.0	6.0	0.55	0.47	0.58	
		<i>and</i>	163.5	201.3	<b>37.8</b>	0.57	3.69	0.62	
		<i>including</i>	163.5	180.2	16.7	0.95	5.36	<b>1.02</b>	
		<i>including</i>	170.1	176.9	6.8	1.67	3.16	<b>1.72</b>	
		<i>OPEN Stope</i>	180.2	181.9	1.7	*	*	*	
		<i>including</i>	181.9	<b>201.3</b>	19.5	0.30	2.59	0.32	
3950	ET-13-070		6.2	23.8	17.6	0.16	10.9	0.17	23
		<i>and</i>	32.5	78.5	<b>46.1</b>	0.32	8.4	0.41	
3950	ET-13-069		3.1	5.5	2.5	0.62	0.3	0.62	17
		<i>and</i>	11.5	14.5	3.0	0.77	0.1	0.77	
		<i>and</i>	20.5	53.0	<b>32.5</b>	0.57	4.4	0.63	
		<i>including</i>	27.5	36.0	8.5	1.14	2.6	<b>1.17</b>	
		<i>and</i>	72.0	74.0	2.0	0.10	94.6	<b>1.36</b>	
		<i>and</i>	87.5	112.0	<b>24.5</b>	0.29	48.4	<b>0.94</b>	
		<i>and</i>	122.8	124.2	1.4	0.15	67.1	<b>1.04</b>	
3950	ET-13-074*		7.5	9.5	2.0	0.43	0.6	0.43	17
		<i>and</i>	22.4	25.5	3.1	<b>1.11</b>	1.4	<b>1.13</b>	
		<i>and</i>	34.0	49.5	15.5	0.95	2.1	0.98	

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3900	ET-13-047*		22.0	26.5	4.5	0.58	4.6	0.64	19
		<i>and</i>	41.0	55.7	14.7	0.15	7.8	0.25	
		<i>OPEN Stope</i>	55.7	58.0	2.4	*	*	*	
		<i>and</i>	81.0	100.0	19.0	0.24	10.5	0.38	
3900	ET-13-048		11.5	24.0	12.5	0.58	2.6	0.61	31
		<i>and</i>	30.0	56.0	<b>26.0</b>	0.31	3.8	0.36	
		<i>and</i>	81.4	82.3	0.9	0.18	<b>182.0</b>	<b>2.61</b>	
		<i>and</i>	93.3	95.4	2.1	0.10	58.3	0.88	
		<i>and</i>	105.7	107.2	1.5	0.07	93.3	<b>1.31</b>	
		<i>and</i>	132.7	133.6	0.9	0.31	23.8	0.63	
3900	ET-13-073*		47.5	49.5	2.0	0.20	1.4	0.22	38
3850	ET-10-032		19.0	23.5	4.5	0.201	0.8	0.21	20
		<i>and</i>	29.5	52.0	22.5	0.412	15.4	0.62	
		<i>and</i>	62.5	70.0	7.5	0.703	4.1	0.76	
		<i>and</i>	87.5	108.5	21.0	0.313	48.8	<b>0.96</b>	
3850	ET-13-045		0.0	13.2	13.2	0.63	2.6	0.66	14
		<i>and</i>	18.8	72.3	<b>53.5</b>	0.55	2.0	0.58	
		<i>and</i>	104.4	115.8	11.4	0.08	37.5	0.58	
3850	ET-13-072*		0.0	2.0	2.0	1.46	0.4	<b>1.47</b>	42
		<i>and</i>	40.0	57.5	17.5	0.35	3.3	0.40	
		<i>and</i>	63.0	66.0	3.0	0.50	0.3	0.50	
		<i>and</i>	72.5	74.5	2.0	6.03	1.8	<b>6.05</b>	
		<i>and</i>	132.0	133.0	1.0	0.14	50.6	0.81	
		<i>and</i>	138.5	153.0	14.5	0.08	39.4	0.60	
		<i>including</i>	148.0	149.8	1.8	0.16	<b>224.8</b>	<b>3.16</b>	
3800	ET-13-046		6.0	9.0	3.0	0.27	1.7	0.29	19
		<i>and</i>	24.0	41.5	17.5	0.75	11.7	0.91	
		<i>and</i>	52.5	64.0	11.5	0.55	1.5	0.57	
		<i>and</i>	71.5	101.8	<b>30.3</b>	0.25	18.5	0.50	
		<i>including</i>	71.5	74.5	3.0	0.27	<b>117.7</b>	<b>1.84</b>	
		<i>and</i>	107.5	125.0	17.5	0.18	61.2	1.00	
3800	ET-10-031		16.5	109.4	<b>92.9</b>	0.39	30.4	0.80	103
		<i>including</i>	85.0	92.5	7.5	<b>1.11</b>	72.6	<b>2.07</b>	
		<i>including</i>	105.5	108.5	3.0	0.16	<b>416.5</b>	<b>5.71</b>	
		<i>and</i>	120.0	121.5	1.5	0.13	36.3	0.61	





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3300	ET-12-040		47.6	50.0	2.4	0.19	7.1	0.28	77
		<i>and</i>	56.5	63.0	6.5	0.43	3.2	0.47	
		<i>and</i>	164.0	170.5	6.5	0.42	1.9	0.44	
		<i>and</i>	187.5	205.0	17.5	0.59	1.4	0.61	
		<i>including</i>	202.2	203.6	1.4	<b>2.66</b>	7.0	<b>2.76</b>	
3300	ET-12-041		66.0	78.5	12.5	0.41	12.3	0.58	82
		<i>and</i>	109.5	121.0	11.5	0.25	0.3	0.26	
		<i>and</i>	156.5	158.0	1.5	<b>1.79</b>	0.8	<b>1.80</b>	

**Notes:**

- (1) True width has not been calculated for each individual intercept, but true width is generally estimated at 75-90% of drilled width. Metallurgical recoveries and net smelter returns are assumed to be 100%
  - (2) Gold Equivalent ratio based on gold to silver price ratio of 75:1 Ag:Au.
- \* Hole did not pierce the footwall unit, ends in mineralization.