Sonoro Closes Cerro Caliche Expansion Agreement

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TSXV: SMO OTCQB: SMOFF March 20, 2018 (<u>Source</u>) — Sonoro Metals Corp., ("Sonoro") (TSXV:SMO) (OTCQB:SMOFF), announces that its Mexican subsidiary, Minera Mar De Plata, SA de C.V. has executed a formal option agreement (the "Rosario Option Agreement") with a resident of

Tucson, Arizona (the "Vendor"), to acquire a 100% interest in the 403.5 hectare Rosario group of concessions ("Rosario") on the terms initially disclosed in a news release dated March 5, 2018. Rosario is located contiguous to the recently-acquired Cerro Caliche concessions in the prolific Cucurpe Sonora Megadistrict of Sonora, Mexico. The option agreement increases the land holdings under option to Sonoro in this important gold mining district to 1,455 hectares.

The Rosario Option Agreement provides for Sonoro to acquire a 100% interest in Rosario for total consideration to the Vendor of US\$1,600,000, payable in escalating cash installments over 72 months. The initial first-year installment of US\$60,000 was paid on execution of the Rosario Option Agreement.

Following exercise of the Option, the Vendor will hold a 2% net smelter returns royalty ("NSR") from the proceeds of the sale of minerals from Rosario. Sonoro has been granted an option to purchase the NSR at any time for US\$1,000,000 for each one percent of the 2 percent NSR.

The Rosario and Cerro Caliche concessions (collectively "Cerro Caliche") were the subject of earlier drill programs by Cambior

Gold and Corex Gold Corp., with the most recent drilling occurring in 2008. Total drilling by those two companies in the last 20 years of 10,118 meters in 101 drill holes reportedly outlined large areas of mineralized material that may in future programs assist in defining a resource with significant gold mineralization. A historic non-published report completed by Corex (Flores, 2008) includes a non NI 43-101 resource estimation.

"Our Hermosillo-based exploration team, headed by noted geologist Mel Herdrick, has commenced a surface sampling program to define additional zones for a drilling program scheduled to begin during the second half of 2018," said Kenneth MacLeod, President and CEO of Sonoro. "Our aim is to verify the earlier data and expand the scope and scale of the gold resource indicated in the Corex report."

The Cucurpe Sonora Mega-district includes Premier Gold's Mercedes gold mine; Goldgroup Mining's Cerro Prieto gold mine; Agnico Eagle's recently purchased Santa Gertrudis gold mine; and other gold mineralized prospect areas.

Stephen Kenwood, P. Geo. is a Qualified Person within the context of National Instrument 43-101 and has read and takes responsibility for this news release. Readers are cautioned that the presence of mineralization on properties adjacent to or in proximity to Cerro Caliche is not necessarily indicative of mineralization on Cerro Caliche.

About Sonoro Metals Corp.

Sonoro Metals Corp. (TSXV:SMO) (OTCQB:SMOFF) is an exploration and development company with a portfolio of precious metals properties in Sonora, Mexico and Alaska, USA. Sonoro's skilled exploration team in Mexico is headed by Hermosillo-based geologist Melvin Herdrick, with 45 years of mine related

experience, including 10 years as Chief Geologist for Phelps Dodge, Mexico and 7 years as Vice President, Exploration for Pediment Gold in Mexico until its takeover by Argonaut Gold in 2011. Sonoro's Chief Geologist and Qualifying Person is Stephen Kenwood, with over 20 years of experience in mineral exploration and development.

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