

Sierra Metals announces appointment of Igor Gonzales to the Board of Directors

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VANCOUVER, Sept. 19, 2013 /PRNewswire/ - **Sierra Metals Inc.** (TSX:SMT)(BVL:SMT) ("Sierra Metals" or the "Company") is pleased to welcome and announce the appointment of Igor Gonzales to the Board of Directors of Sierra Metals.

Mr. Gonzales is originally from Peru and has more than 30 years of experience in the mining industry. He is currently a member of the Board of Directors of HudBay Minerals Inc. From 1998 to 2013, Mr. Gonzales was with Barrick Gold Corporation, most recently as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. Between 1980 and 1996, Mr. Gonzales served in various roles with Southern Peru Copper Corporation.

Mr. Gonzales has a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of San Antonio Abad in Cusco, Peru, and was a Fulbright Scholar at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, where he earned a Master of Science degree in Extractive Metallurgy.

"We are delighted to have a seasoned professional such as Igor Gonzales join our Board of Directors and believe that his vast experience will prove invaluable as we continue to execute on our growth strategy and work toward the next level of success," said Mr.

J. Alberto Arias

, Chairman of Sierra Metals. "On behalf of the entire Sierra Metals team, I would like to welcome Mr. Gonzales to our Board."

About Sierra Metals

Sierra Metals Inc. is a Canadian mining company focused on precious and base metals from its Yauricocha Mine in Peru, its Bolivar Mine and Cusi Mine in Mexico. In addition, Sierra Metals is exploring several precious and base metal targets in Peru and

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Mexico

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Peru

include Adrico (gold),

Victoria

(copper-silver) and Ipillo (polymetallic) at the Yauricocha Property in the province of Yauyos and the

San Miguelito

gold properties in

Northern Peru

. Projects in

Mexico

include

Bacerac

(silver) in the

state of Sonora

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La Verde

(gold) at the Batopilas Property in the

state of Chihuahua

, and

Las Coloradas

(silver) at the Melchor Ocampo Property in the state of

Zacatecas

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The Company's shares trade on the Bolsa de Valores de Lima and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "SMT".

Forward-Looking Statements

Except for statements of historical fact contained herein, the information in this press release may constitute "forward-looking information" within the meaning of Canadian securities law. Other than statements of historical fact, all statements are "forward-looking statements", which involve various known and unknown risk and uncertainties and other factors, including market conditions that may affect the Company's ability to execute its current business plan. Actual results might differ materially from results suggested in any forward-looking statements. The Company assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements, or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those reflected in the forward-looking statements unless and until required by securities laws applicable to the Company. Additional information

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identifying risks and uncertainties is contained in filings by the Company with the Canadian securities regulators, which filings are available at www.sedar.com.

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