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## **News Release**

## STRONGBOW PROVIDES CLARIFICATION ON THE NI 43-101 MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE FOR THE SOUTH CROFTY TIN PROJECT

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As a result of a review by the British Columbia Securities Commission, **Strongbow Exploration Inc. (TSX-V: SBW)** is issuing the following news release to clarify disclosure regarding the mineral resource estimate contained in the NI 43-101 Technical Report for the South Crofty tin project announced April 19, 2016, and filed on SEDAR June 1, 2016.

The resource estimate comprises two zones:

1. A Lower Mine tin-only resource;

	Lower Mine Mineral Resource Estimate at 0.60% Sn Cut-Off				
	Tonnes ('000s)	Sn Grade	Contained Sn (tonnes)		
Indicated Resource	1,660	1.81%	30,000		
Inferred Resource	738	1.91%	14,100		

2. An Upper Mine polymetallic resource, comprising tin, copper and zinc, previously reported as a tin equivalent (SnEq) grade only. Strongbow failed to provide details for each metal in the SnEq grade for the Upper Mine Resource in its news release dated April 19, 2016. This detail is provided below and the disclosure has been added to all other public documents where applicable.

Upper Mine Mineral Resource Estimate at 0.60% SnEq Cut-off <sup>(1-12)</sup>					
	Tonnes (k)	Sn %	Cu %	Zn %	SnEq %
Indicated Resource	257	0.70	0.79	0.58	0.99
Inferred Resource	464	0.67	0.62	0.63	0.91

Additional detail can be accessed from the NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Company's SEDAR page or from Strongbow's website at <u>www.strongbowexploration.com</u>

- (1) CIM definitions were followed for Mineral Resources.
- (2) The Qualified Persons for this Mineral Resource estimate are: Richard Routledge, M.Sc. (Applied), P.Geo. and Eugene Puritch, P.Eng. of P&E Mining Consultants Inc.
- (3) Mineral Resources are estimated by conventional 3D block modelling based on wireframing at a 0.50% SnEq cut-off grade and inverse distance to the power of 3 grade interpolation. The 0.5% Sn/SnEq cut-off for wireframing vs 0.6% Sn/SnEq cut-off for resource reporting is due to a shift to lower Sn prices between the commencement and finalization of this report.
- (4) SnEq is calculated using the formula: %SnEq = Sn% + (Cu% x 0.311) + (Zn% x 0.084).

- (5) For the purpose of resource estimation, assays were capped at 20% Sn for the Lower Mine and 6% for Sn, 4% for Cu and 20% for Zn for the Upper Mine.
- (6) The 0.6% Sn/SnEq resource cut-off grade was derived from the approximate March 31, 2016 two year LME trailing average Sn price of US\$8.50/lb, Cu price of US\$2.75/lb, and Zn price of US\$0.90/lb, 88.5%, 85% and 70% respective process recoveries, smelter payable of 95% and Sn refining charges of US\$0.25.lb. Operating costs used were US\$55/t mining, US\$27/t processing and US\$9/t G&A.
- Bulk densities of 2.77 tonnes/m<sup>3</sup> and 3.00 tonnes/m<sup>3</sup> have been applied for volume to tonnes conversion for the Lower and Upper Mine, respectively.
- (8) Mineral Resources are estimated from near surface to a depth of approximately 869 m.
- (9) Mineral Resources are classified as Indicated and Inferred based on drill hole and channel sample distribution and density, interpreted geologic continuity and quality of data.
- (10) The mineral resources have been depleted for past mining, however, they contain portions that may not be recoverable pending a future engineering study.
- (11) Mineral resources which are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. The estimate of mineral resources may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political, marketing, or other relevant issues. There is no certainty that all or any part of the Inferred Mineral Resource will be upgraded to an Indicated or Measured Mineral Resource as a result of continued exploration.
- (12) Figures in table are rounded and may not sum exactly.

## **Qualified Person**

Mr. Eugene Puritch, P. Eng., lead author of the NI 43-101 Technical Report and a "Qualified Person" as defined in NI-43-101 has reviewed and approved the contents of this news release.

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