Toronto, ON / TheNewswire / May 19, 2016 - Chilean Metals Inc. ("Chilean Metals," "CMX" or the "Company") (TSX.V:CMX, OTCQB: CMETF, SSE:CMX).

"Chilean Metals is pleased to announce we have closed the recently announced equity financing and have raised \$700,000. We will use the capital to ready a drilling program on our Zulema project in Chile and would expect to make future announcements on that when the program is fully funded and ready to commence which we would anticipate to occur early this summer" commented Chilean Metals CEO Patrick Cruickshank.

Chilean Metals has issued a total of 10,000,000 common shares at a price of \$0.07 per share for gross proceeds of \$700,000. Finder's fees of approximately \$18,645 will be paid and 216,350 warrants will be issued entitling the holder to acquire 216,350 common shares at a price of \$0.07 per share until June 1, 2017. Coincident with the closing of the investment Patrick Cruickshank, CEO, and Gary Lohman, VP Exploration, have been appointed to the Chilean Metals Board of Directors. To enable the appointments to take place Dan Gosselin a board member since 2012 has resigned. Chilean Metals would like to thank Mr. Gosselin for his service and guidance in his time with the company.

Moving forward Chilean Metals expects to sign definitive agreements with Cogonov Inc ("Cogonov") on the previously announced acquisition of certain projects, referred to as Lynn, Parrsboro and Bass River, that have been the focus of considerable exploration efforts over the last several years by Cogonov and historical owners Minotaur Atlantic Exploration Ltd.

Chilean Metals will issue an estimated 20,500,000 common shares to the shareholders of Cogonov (directly or indirectly). No new control persons are expected to be created in Chilean Metals by the issuance of the Chilean Metals shares. This is in addition to the 6,000,000 shares previously awarded Cogonov on the acquisition of Fox River. Both transactions are subject to TSXV approval.

Cogonov's three properties in central Nova Scotia are part of their advanced Iron Oxide-Copper-Gold (IOCG) regional exploration program. The claims cover select IOCG exploration targets previously delineated by Minotaur Exploration (Australia) along the Cobequid-Chedabucto Fault Zone (CCFZ). The CCFZ is a 300 km long fault structure that hosts over 100 mineral occurrences, including past producing mines, of Iron Oxide, Copper, Cobalt, Gold, Nickel and Barite. These projects have been part of an advanced IOCG exploration program to reinterpret and re-examine the mineral potential of Nova Scotia.

"The market for junior mining is turning after a very savage correction. We think 2016 will be a very exciting time at Chilean Metals and are looking forward to closing these transactions and getting on to the near term drilling of both our Zulema project in Chile and our Bass River project in Nova Scotia" commented Chilean Metals CEO Patrick Cruickshank.

The proposed acquisition is subject to the parties negotiating and entering into a definitive transaction agreement and applicable TSX Venture Exchange and other regulatory approvals.

**About Chilean Metals** 

http://chileanmetals.com/

Chilean Metals Inc. is 100% owner of five properties comprising over 50,000 acres strategically located in the prolific IOCG ("Iron oxide-copper-gold") belt of northern Chile. It also owns a 3% NSR royalty interest on any future production from the Copaquire Cu-Mo deposit, recently sold to a subsidiary of Teck Resources Inc. ("Teck"). Under the terms of the sale agreement, Teck has the right to acquire one third of the 3% NSR for \$3 million dollars at any time. The Copaquire property borders Teck's producing Quebrada Blanca copper mine in Chile's First Region.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF Chilean Metals Inc.

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The Qualified Person for <u>Chilean Metals Inc.</u>, as defined by National Instrument 43-101, is Gary Lohman, P. Eng., Vice President, Exploration.

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