TORONTO, ONTARIO--(Marketwired - Jan 18, 2017) - <u>Sage Gold Inc.</u> (TSX VENTURE:SGX) is pleased to announce the signing of an agreement to acquire an important land package (the 'Purchase Agreement') at its Onaman property, located roughly sixty kilometers north of the town of Jellicoe, in northwestern Ontario. The land package, comprising of 43.6 units for a total of 698 hectares, including a combination of both patented and unpatented claims, leased claims and one license of occupation, is to be acquired from Jien Nunavik Mining Exploration Limited ("Jien") upon the fulfilment of certain closing conditions contained in the Purchase Agreement.

The Purchase Agreement includes the following consideration terms:

- 1. 1.25 million common treasury shares of Sage issued to Jien (subject to TSX.V approval);
- 2. Cdn.\$300,000 exploration expenditure obligation by Sage over five years, with annual reporting;
- 3. 2% Net Smelter Return payable, with an open-ended option to buy half back in return for payment of Cdn.\$500,000.

Sage's President and CEO, Nigel Lees, comments: "This acquisition gives Sage complete coverage of the entire five-plus kilometer long volcano-sedimentary sequence within which all of the known Onaman volcanogenic massive sulfide or "VMS"-related deposits, mineralized zones and occurrences are found, along with all of the surrounding prospective volcanic stratigraphy, as well. In addition to the 2,161 hectares Sage already holds under license at the Onaman, this acquisition brings Sage's holdings to a total of 2,859 hectares, or 28.6 square kilometres."

Exploration at the Onaman property dates back several decades involving a number of companies, during which time numerous base and precious metal VMS-related occurrences, zones and deposits were discovered and partly defined. Foremost among them is Sage's Lynx copper-silver-gold deposit, a resource upon which was first released by the company on March 31, 2009 (Press Release - March 2009), a link to the NI 43-101 resource estimate on the Lynx deposit may be found at Sage's website: NI 43-101. The Lynx deposit comprises stringer and replacement copper-silver-gold zones in the mafic footwall of the Onaman volcanic complex, comprising an Inferred Resource of 1.94 million tonnes with an average grade of 1.45% copper, 39.1 grams per tonne ("g/t") silver and 0.58 g/t gold. It remains open on strike and at depth.

A reassessment of the Lynx deposit, completed as part of a renewed program of geological mapping and prospecting initiated during the 2016 field season, has established that the Lynx deposit is a "footwall feeder zone" of the type typically found underlying VMS deposits. VMS deposits typically contain a mix of copper, lead, zinc, silver and gold in variable proportions, typically zoned with copper dominant in the lower, higher temperature portions and zinc dominant toward the upper, lower temperature portions of the volcanic system. What renders this new insight of particular significance is the fact that over a dozen zinc-silver-lead±gold dominant polymetallic sulfide zones and occurrences are known to occur immediately above the Lynx deposit, hosted within a hydrothermally altered, mixed volcanic-sedimentary sequence.

The Headway, the closest and largest of these mineralized zones, is located within the existing Sage claims. A dozen additional zinc-silver-lead±gold zones and occurrences are found within the Jien group of claims and leases, over a strike length of three kilometres contiguous with the Headway. The level and extent of mineralization, pervasive hydrothermal alteration of the host rocks, contiguity with the Headway zone, and stratigraphic position within the Onaman volcanic complex, renders the entire sequence prospective. The last comprehensive work undertaken on this property was in the late 1940s, by Coulee Lead and Zinc Mines Limited, decades before the concept of VMS deposits was understood or even developed. Its acquisition represents a significant step forward for Sage in its ongoing exploration efforts at the Onaman property.

The technical content of this news release has been reviewed and approved by Sage's consulting geologist, Avrom E. Howard, MSc, PGeo, who is a Qualified Person ("QP") as defined in National Instrument 43-101.

<u>Sage Gold Inc.</u> is a mineral exploration and development company which has primary interests in near-term production and exploration properties in Ontario. Its main properties are the Clavos Gold property, 100% owned, in Timmins and the 100% owned Onaman property and other exploration properties in the Beardmore-Geraldton Gold Camp. Technical reports and information relating to the properties can be obtained from the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR) website at www.sedar.com and www.sagegoldinc.com.

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