ScoZinc Selects Mining Contractors for Restart of Operations

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COOKS BROOK, Nova Scotia, Feb. 14, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ScoZinc Mining Ltd. (TSX-V:SZM) ("ScoZinc" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has selected Dexter Construction ("Dexter") and Dyno Nobel Canada Inc. ("Dyno Nobel") as the mining and drill/blast contractors, respectively, for the restart of operations at the Company's 100%-owned ScoZinc mine in Nova Scotia.

In late 2017, the Company invited Nova Scotia contractors to bid on all mining activities and all drill/blast activities for the approximately 8-year life of the ScoZinc mine. Three bids were received for the mining activities and three bids for the drill/blast activities. Following reviews and negotiations the bidders Dexter and Dyno Nobel were selected based on price, experience, capabilities and their successful relationship in working together on other projects.

Dexter is one of the Municipal Group of companies which is Eastern Canada's premier heavy civil and mining contractor. Dexter Construction has operated for over 40 years and is the largest civil contractor in Atlantic Canada with extensive experience in mining, construction, environmental, quarry, utilities and demolition. Dexter will be responsible for stripping, moving waste to the stockpiles, and moving ore to the mill processing facilities.

With origins dating back over a century, Dyno Nobel provides explosives products and drill/blast services to deliver ground-breaking performance for their customers. Dyno Nobel has operations and partnerships world-wide. Dyno Nobel will be responsible for the drilling and blasting activities and supply of materials relating to such activities.

Terms with the contractors have been established and contracts will be executed subject to completion of project restart financing which is underway.

About ScoZinc Mining Ltd.

ScoZinc Mining Ltd. is an established Canadian-based zinc and lead exploration and development company that owns the ScoZinc Mine (ScoZinc Limited) and related facilities near Halifax, Nova Scotia which is currently on care and maintenance. The Company intends to restart operations as soon as possible. The Company has a strong working capital position and no debt. The Company has 4,216,044 common shares outstanding, following the closing of the private placement, which are traded on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "SZM".

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