Skeena Provides Exploration Update and 2024 Outlook

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VANCOUVER, February 8, 2024 - <u>Skeena Resources Ltd.</u> (TSX:SKE)(NYSE:SKE) ("Skeena" or the "Company") is pleased to announce all drilling results from the 2023 exploration drilling program at the Eskay Creek Gold-Silver Project ("Eskay Creek" or the "Project") in the Golden Triangle of northwest British Columbia. This release also provides an outlook for Skeena's 2024 exploration programs. Analytical results are detailed below as well as on the Company's website.

Near Mine Exploratory Drilling

A total of 13 surface drillholes were completed in 2023 with the aim of following up on drill intersections discovered during the 2022 exploratory programs. Drilling in the vicinity surrounding the 22 Zone yielded new occurrences of footwall gold-silver mineralization highlighted by SK-23-1203, which intersected 19.87 g/t Au, 59.1 g/t Ag over 2.95 metres including 64.80 g/t Au, 132.0 g/t Ag over 0.85 metres and a second high grade interval averaging 21.10 g/t Au, 15.4 g/t Ag over 1.50 metres . Additional mineralization was identified 200 metres north of the 22 Zone by SK-23-1200 grading 0.63 g/t Au, 86.1 g/t Ag over 14.50 metres and 1.37 g/t Au, 7.6 g/t Ag over 5.00 metres . These new intersections are not expected to materially affect the existing open-pit Resources and Reserves in the 22 Zone.

Regional Eskay Deeps Program

Discovery of new mineralization in 2022 at Eskay Deeps by exploratory drillhole SK-22-1081 (3.79 g/t Au, 59.4 g/t Ag over 32.19 metres), prompted the 2023 Eskay Deeps Phase I exploration program. Completed in Q4 2023, the Phase I Deeps program was designed to test for additional high-grade Contact Mudstone mineralization in the down-dip extension of the Eskay Rift ~1,000 metres north of the current Eskay Creek Reserves. Targeting was supported by geological modelling and geophysical data, focusing on areas that were inadequately explored by previous operators. In total, 8 drillholes and 2 wedge branches were completed totalling 13,787 metres. To date, the Company has only tested an area of Contact Mudstone measuring 350 metres by 1,000 metres downdip of the main deposit with wide drill spacings in excess of 100 metres. Considerable exploration potential still exists in the Eskay Deeps as many prehistoric and modern day mineralized rift systems typically extend for tens of kilometres.

All 2023 drillholes intersected anomalous trace mineralization in the Contact Mudstone. Additionally, 120 metres below the Contact Mudstone and hosted by footwall rhyolite breccias, 2023 drillhole SK-23-1182 intersected 3.92 g/t Au, 5.2 g/t Ag over 5.38 metres . SK-23-1182 is 50 metres from the discovery drillhole SK-22-1081, indicating that the mineralized hydrothermal system was still active in this area. Feeder zones similar to this typically have a high-grade expression at the Contact Mudstone, which is yet to be encountered in this area.

By testing Eskay Deeps at widely spaced (>100 metre) hole spacings, a wealth of new information was collected from the 2023 program which has yielded a refined interpretation of the Eskay Creek Rift Model at depth. The Rift Model will be further analyzed once combined with Skeena's proposed 2024 seismic survey.

2024 Seismic Survey

The Company is aiming to perform a surface based seismic survey in Summer 2024. It has been proven by previous operators that more conventional geophysical methods such as electromagnetics and induced polarization are unable to directly discern the Eskay Creek gold-silver mineralization. However, the Company is investigating the potential for a seismic survey to indirectly target mineralization by better defining the rift and Contact Mudstone at depth that is critical for hosting Eskay Creek style deposits. Additional Eskay

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Deeps drilling will be driven by the results of the seismic survey.

2024 Regional Exploration Plans

During H1 2024, Skeena will be finalizing a large airborne magnetics survey and data compilation for the new 74,633 hectare Hoodoo Project which was staked in October 2023. Remarkably, this ground was unclaimed mineral tenure with virtually no historical exploration despite possessing very high prospectivity for alkalic porphyry deposits. Alkalic gold-copper porphyry deposits in the cordillera of British Columbia typically rank as the higher-grade end members such as Galore Creek and New Afton. These specific deposits are attractive exploration targets based on their atypically high gold tenor.

An accelerated exploration model will be employed in H2 2024 that judiciously ranks and ultimately culminates in drilling targets on the KSP and Hoodoo properties. The successes of the 2023 field program in discovering new gold-copper mineralization and increasing the geological understanding of the KSP and Hoodoo properties warrants augmented exploration in these areas. Overall, 14,000 metres has been budgeted for this regional program.

About Skeena

Skeena Resources Ltd. is a Canadian mining exploration and development company focused on revitalizing the Eskay Creek and Snip Projects, two past-producing mines located in Tahltan Territory in the Golden Triangle of Northwest British Columbia, Canada. The Company released a Definitive Feasibility Study for Eskay Creek in November 2023 which highlights an after-tax NPV5% of C\$2B, 43% IRR, and a 1.2-year payback at US\$1,800/oz Au and US\$23/oz Ag.

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Exploration activities at the Eskay Creek Project are administered on site by the Company's Exploration Managers, John Tyler, P.Geo., Raegan Markel, P.Geo. and Vice President of Exploration, Adrian Newton, P.Geo. In accordance with National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects, Paul Geddes, P.Geo., Senior Vice President, Exploration & Resource Development, is the Qualified Person for the Company and has prepared, validated, and approved the technical and scientific content of this news release. The Company strictly adheres to CIM Best Practices Guidelines in conducting, documenting, and reporting activities on its projects.

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For these reasons, the Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource estimates and related information presented herein may not be comparable to similar information made public by U.S. companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements under the U.S. federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder.

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Table 1: Eskay Creek Project 2023 Exploratory Drilling Length-Weighted Drillhole Composites:

Hole-ID	From (m)	To (m)	Sample Length (m)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)
SK-23-1182	1019.22	1024.60	5.38	3.92	5.21
SK-23-1182	1045.30	1046.50	1.20	0.95	51.70
SK-23-1182	1050.00	1051.50	1.50	1.85	1.80
SK-23-1182	1084.50	1086.00	1.50	1.88	1.60
SK-23-1182	1144.30	1148.90	4.60	0.77	12.54
SK-23-1194					NSA
SK-23-1195	1592.50	1594.00	1.50	1.17	0.50
SK-23-1196	1439.37	1440.85	1.48	0.79	11.90
SK-23-1196	1442.00	1443.28	1.28	1.30	17.10
SK-23-1196	1452.21	1453.50	1.29	0.78	4.70
SK-23-1197					TDNR
SK-23-1198					NSA
SK-23-1199					NSA
SK-23-1200	60.00	61.40	1.40	0.47	19.90
SK-23-1200	63.77	65.00	1.23	0.34	88.50
SK-23-1200	69.00	83.50	14.50	0.63	86.10
SK-23-1200	88.40	89.30	0.90	0.71	10.70
SK-23-1200	92.00	93.00	1.00	0.85	72.70
SK-23-1200	123.00	128.00	5.00	1.37	7.55
SK-23-1201	157.00	158.50	1.50	0.88	12.10
SK-23-1202	89.00	90.00	1.00	0.64	5.30
SK-23-1202	111.00	112.50	1.50	0.68	1.30
SK-23-1203	92.55	95.50	2.95	19.87	59.05
INCLUDING	92.55	93.40	0.85	64.80	132.00

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Hole-ID	From (m)	To (m)	Sample Length (m)) Au (g/t)) Ag (g/t)
SK-23-1203	102.50	104.00	1.50	0.62	13.10
SK-23-1203	151.50	153.00	1.50	0.65	4.70
SK-23-1203	154.50	157.50	3.00	1.08	3.75
SK-23-1203	162.00	163.50	1.50	21.10	15.40
SK-23-1203	171.06	171.56	0.50	1.70	17.00
SK-23-1203	176.00	177.00	1.00	0.67	30.40
SK-23-1203	181.50	183.00	1.50	0.53	15.80
SK-23-1203	195.00	196.50	1.50	1.75	34.10
SK-23-1203	198.00	201.00	3.00	1.21	11.80
SK-23-1204					NSA
SK-23-1205	72.00	74.50	2.50	0.60	366.20
SK-23-1205	76.00	76.50	0.50	1.42	5.00
SK-23-1205	92.00	93.50	1.50	0.31	38.00
SK-23-1205	105.00	107.22	2.22	0.70	108.84
SK-23-1205	111.50	113.00	1.50	0.23	192.00
SK-23-1206	159.60	164.00	4.40	0.22	87.94
SK-23-1206	166.20	168.00	1.80	0.36	61.52
SK-23-1206	169.00	170.10	1.10	0.45	30.60
SK-23-1207	39.70	42.20	2.50	0.86	0.50
SK-23-1207	81.70	84.00	2.30	3.52	55.20
SK-23-1208					NSA
SK-23-1209	132.00	133.50	1.50	0.68	43.00
SK-23-1209	134.50	135.18	0.68	0.97	11.60
SK-23-1209	161.00	165.50	4.50	0.81	5.40
SK-23-1209	190.00	192.00	2.00	0.65	36.65
SK-23-1210	35.50	37.00	1.50	0.94	4.20
SK-23-1210	73.50	76.50	3.00	0.12	106.80
SK-23-1210	103.50	105.00	1.50	0.28	33.10
SK-23-1211					NSA

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Hole-ID	From (m) To (m)	Sample Length (m) Au (g/t) Ag (g/t)
SK-23-1212		NSA
SK-23-1213		NSA
SK-23-1214		NSA
SK-23-1215		NSA
SK-23-1216		ABANDONED
SK-23-1217		NSA
SK-23-1218		ABANDONED
SK-23-1219		TDNR
SK-23-1220		NSA

True widths and zone geometries cannot be definitively determined at this time. Grade-capping of individual assays has not been applied to the Au and Ag assays informing the length-weighted composites. Samples below detection limit were nulled to a value of zero. NSA - No Significant Assays. TDNR - Target Depth Not Reached.

Table 2: Mine Grid Drillhole Locations and Orientations:

Hole-ID	Easting (m)	Northing (m)	Elevation (m)	Length (m)	Azimuth (°)	Dip (°)
SK-23-1182	9979.5	11939.6	813.5	1166.5	337.0	-90.0
SK-23-1194	9979.5	11939.6	813.5	1306.7	337.0	-90.0
SK-23-1195	9953.9	12438.7	769.0	1649.2	287.2	-87.6
SK-23-1196	9988.5	12258.7	793.0	1513.0	262.1	-88.0
SK-23-1197	9949.3	12449.3	770.3	1601.6	272.9	-79.2
SK-23-1198	9988.2	12259.5	793.3	1327.0	276.7	-81.0
SK-23-1199	9660.8	8961.2	1121.5	153.0	22.0	-44.5
SK-23-1200	9661.9	8960.0	1121.5	165.0	22.2	-45.1
SK-23-1201	9661.0	8958.2	1121.5	201.0	117.0	-69.7
SK-23-1202	9666.8	8902.2	1115.1	151.3	136.7	-50.0
SK-23-1203	9664.7	8899.9	1115.1	228.0	167.4	-50.3
SK-23-1204	9667.3	8904.6	1115.1	108.1	97.0	-49.9
SK-23-1205	9582.9	8945.8	1137.4	125.0	97.2	-55.0
SK-23-1206	9581.8	8943.4	1137.4	184.2	147.4	-50.1
SK-23-1207	9581.3	8992.3	1139.0	120.7	96.9	-49.9

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Hole-ID		n) Northing (m	n) Elevation (m	n) Length (m	n) Azimuth (ʻ	°) Dip (°)
SK-23-120	⁸ 9579.1	8995.6	1139.2	224.5	52.0	-70.0
SK-23-120	⁹ 9668.6	8903.9	1115.1	210.3	96.9	-49.8
SK-23-121	⁰ 9628.1	9171.1	1147.5	124.5	126.8	-55.0
SK-23-121	¹ 9614.7	9235.7	1142.0	199.0	247.4	-50.0
SK-23-121	² 9632.1	9347.2	1145.6	153.2	257.1	-44.7
SK-23-121	³ 9827.4	12059.6	825.2	1003.0	188.9	-87.9
SK-23-121	⁴ 9826.8	12060.5	825.2	1430.3	212.6	-79.6
SK-23-121	⁵ 10502.3	7697.6	1042.6	120.9	247.1	-44.8
SK-23-121	⁶ 9990.8	5307.3	1006.2	24.9	66.9	-44.8
SK-23-121	⁷ 9990.8	5307.3	1006.2	250.8	66.0	-44.9
SK-23-121	⁸ 9934.7	12711.4	780.8	23.0	282.0	-86.0
SK-23-121	⁹ 9935.1	12712.3	780.8	1739.3	264.8	-86.0
SK-23-122	⁰ 9998.9	12094.1	810.9	1050.2	277.7	-84.1

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