Nevada Copper Completes $96 Million Public Offering

VANCOUVER, British Columbia, July 09, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Nevada Copper Corp. (TSX:NCU) ("Nevada Copper" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has completed its previously-announced public offering of 160,000,000 common shares at a price of $0.60 per common share (the "Offering Price"), for gross proceeds of $96 million (the "Offering"). As announced on June 29, 2018, due to significant demand from institutional and retail investors, the Company upsized the Offering from $80 million to $96 million. The participation in the Offering by several large global institutional funds will further enhance the Company’s shareholder register.

The Offering was underwritten by a syndicate of underwriters led by National Bank Financial Inc., BMO Capital Markets, RBC Capital Markets and Scotiabank acting as joint bookrunners, and including Numis Securities Limited, TD Securities Inc. and Haywood Securities Inc. (collectively, the “Underwriters”). The Underwriters have been granted an over-allotment option, exercisable in whole or in part at any time for a period of 30 days after the closing of the Offering, to purchase up to an additional 24,000,000 common shares of the Company, which, if exercised in full, would increase the total gross proceeds of the Offering to approximately $110 million.

Concurrent with the closing of the Offering, US$15 million of outstanding indebtedness under the Company’s amended and restated loan and security agreement dated January 19, 2018 with Red Kite Mine Finance ("Red Kite”), through its affiliate EXP T1 Ltd., automatically converted into 32,885,000 common shares of the Company (the "Conversion Shares"), which were issued at the Offering Price. After the closing of the Offering and the issuance of the Conversion Shares, the Company now has 638,478,432 common shares issued and outstanding.

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About Nevada Copper

Nevada Copper (TSX:NCU) owns Pumpkin Hollow – the only major, shovel-ready and fully-permitted copper project in North America. Located in Nevada, USA, Pumpkin Hollow has substantial reserves and resources including copper, gold and silver.

Its two fully-permitted projects include: the high-grade Pumpkin Hollow underground mine which is expected to move into construction shortly with a view to near-term commencement of copper production; and the Pumpkin Hollow open pit, a large-scale copper deposit which is currently undergoing an optimization program to target a reduced-capex, staged-development approach.

Additional Information

For further information please visit the Nevada Copper corporate website (www.nevadacopper.com).

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