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## SSR MINING REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2019 PRODUCTION RESULTS

VANCOUVER, B.C. – SSR Mining Inc. (NASDAQ: SSRM) (TSX: SSRM) (“SSR Mining”) reports first quarter 2019 operating results at our three mines.

### First Quarter 2019 Operating Highlights

- **Achieved strong consolidated production:** Produced over 112,000 gold equivalent ounces in the first quarter of 2019.
- **Record quarterly gold production at Seabee:** Produced 31,183 ounces of gold due to higher mill throughput and timing of gold pours, representing a quarter-on-quarter increase of 52%.
- **Solid operating performance at Marigold:** Mined 17.3 million tonnes of material while gold production remained strong at 53,151 ounces.
- **Silver production doubled at Puna Operations:** Produced 2.4 million ounces of silver, double the silver production in the fourth quarter of 2018, with lead and zinc production of 6.8 million pounds and 1.6 million pounds, respectively. Ramp up at the Chinchillas mine was substantially completed during the quarter.

Paul Benson, President and CEO said, “It is pleasing to have a good start to the year with a near-record consolidated gold equivalent production of over 112,000 ounces, highlighted by quarterly record gold production at Seabee, where we continue to achieve higher mill throughput rates. The Chinchillas project was substantially completed during the quarter, setting us up for steady state production at Puna Operations. With all three operations performing well, we are positioned to achieve record production in 2019.”

## **Marigold Mine, U.S.**

		<b>Q1 2019</b>	<b>Q4 2018</b>	<b>% Change <sup>(1)</sup></b>
Total material mined	kt	17,295	17,039	1.5%
Waste removed	kt	11,767	11,361	3.6%
Ore to leach pad	kt	5,528	5,679	(2.7%)
Strip ratio	w/o	2.1	2.0	5.0%
Gold grade to leach pad	g/t	0.34	0.34	0.0%
Gold recovery	%	73.0%	72.9%	0.1%
Gold produced	oz	53,151	54,306	(2.1%)
Gold sold	oz	55,517	50,550	9.8%

**Notes:**

(1) Percent changes are calculated using rounded numbers presented in the table.

In the first quarter of 2019, the Marigold mine produced 53,151 ounces of gold, a 2% decline from the fourth quarter mainly due to weather conditions during the period. Gold sales totaled 55,517 ounces, 10% higher than the previous quarter as we sold bullion inventory accumulated in the fourth quarter of 2018.

During the quarter, 17.3 million tonnes of material were mined, a 2% increase compared to the fourth quarter of 2018, as we commenced mining the next phase of the Mackay pit, which resulted in shorter haul distances and offset the weather events early in the quarter.

Approximately 5.5 million tonnes of ore were delivered to the heap leach pads at a grade of 0.34 g/t gold. This compares to 5.7 million tonnes of ore delivered to the heap leach pads at a grade of 0.34 g/t gold in the fourth quarter of 2018. The strip ratio was 2.1:1 for the quarter.

## **Seabee Gold Operation, Canada**

		<b>Q1 2019</b>	<b>Q4 2018</b>	<b>% Change <sup>(1)</sup></b>
Total ore milled	t	90,756	86,447	5.0%
Ore milled per day	t/day	1,008	940	7.2%
Gold mill feed grade	g/t	8.59	10.20	(15.8%)
Gold recovery	%	97.2%	97.6%	(0.4%)
Gold produced	oz	31,183	20,473	52.3%
Gold sold	oz	27,999	21,711	29.0%

**Notes:**

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Seabee Gold Operation produced a record 31,183 ounces of gold in the first quarter of 2019, largely due to timing of gold pours at year-end and aided by increased mill throughput rate. Gold sales totaled 27,999 ounces for the first quarter, 29% higher than the fourth quarter of 2018.

The mill achieved an average throughput of 1,008 tonnes per day over the first quarter, a 7% increase compared to the previous quarter, and 1,079 tonnes per day for the month of March, both reflecting a higher mining rate at the Santoy mine. Gold mill feed grade was 8.59 g/t, in line with plan. Gold recovery remained consistent at 97.2%.

## Puna Operations, Argentina <sup>(1)</sup>

		Q1 2019	Q4 2018	% Change <sup>(2)</sup>
Total material mined	kt	2,618	897 <sup>(3)</sup>	n/a
Waste removed	kt	2,469	696 <sup>(3)</sup>	n/a
Ore mined	kt	150	201 <sup>(3)</sup>	n/a
Strip ratio	w/o	16.5	3.5 <sup>(3)</sup>	n/a
Ore milled	kt	345	342	0.9%
Silver mill feed grade	g/t	235	133	76.7%
Zinc mill feed grade	%	0.46%	1.14%	(59.6%)
Lead mill feed grade	%	1.07%	0.92%	16.3%
Silver recovery	%	91.7%	81.5%	12.5%
Zinc recovery	%	47.3%	49.5%	(4.4%)
Lead recovery	%	83.6%	83.1%	0.6%
Silver produced	koz	2,392	1,189	101.2%
Silver sold	koz	927	932	(0.5%)
Zinc produced <sup>(4)</sup>	klb	1,640	4,014	(59.1%)
Zinc sold <sup>(4)</sup>	klb	3,218	1,983	62.3%
Lead produced <sup>(5)</sup>	klb	6,789	2,735	148.2%
Lead sold <sup>(5)</sup>	klb	2,977	1,059	181.1%

**Notes:**

(1) Figures are on 100% basis.

(2) Percent changes are calculated using rounded numbers presented in the table.

(3) Data is for the period subsequent to December 1, 2018, the date upon which commercial production was declared at the Chinchillas mine.

(4) Data for zinc production and sales relate only to zinc in zinc concentrate.

(5) Data for lead production and sales relate only to lead in lead concentrate.

The Chinchillas mine ramp up was substantially completed during the first quarter of 2019. Total material mined from the Chinchillas open pit increased significantly compared to the previous quarter as commercial production was achieved on December 1, 2018. The strip ratio during the first quarter was 16.5:1 due to commencing a new pushback at the Chinchillas pit as planned.

Silver production was 2.4 million ounces for the quarter, an increase of 101% relative to the fourth quarter of 2018, mainly due to higher silver mill feed grade and silver recovery, as ore was sourced exclusively from the Chinchillas mine. Silver sales totaled 0.9 million ounces as concentrate

shipments commenced later in the quarter. On an attributable basis, silver production and sales for the first quarter totaled 1.8 million ounces and 0.7 million ounces, respectively.

During the first quarter, ore was milled at an average of 3,830 tonnes per day, a 3% increase compared to ore milled in the previous quarter, mainly due to improvements in mill flotation pumping. Processed ore in the first quarter of 2019 contained an average silver grade of 235 g/t, a 77% increase compared to the fourth quarter of 2018, due to solely processing higher grade Chinchillas ore. Metallurgical recoveries of silver, lead and zinc are expected to be variable until we achieve steady state production. The new tailings pump system at the Pirquitas plant was completed during the quarter.

### **Qualified Persons**

The scientific and technical data contained in this news release relating to the Marigold mine has been reviewed and approved by James Frost, P.E., a qualified person under National Instrument 43-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* (“NI 43-101”) and Technical Services Superintendent at the Marigold mine. The scientific and technical data contained in this news release relating to the Seabee Gold Operation has been reviewed and approved by Cameron Chapman, P.Eng., a qualified person under NI 43-101 and General Manager at the Seabee Gold Operation. The scientific and technical data contained in this news release relating to Puna Operations has been reviewed and approved by Bruce Butcher, P.Eng., a qualified person under NI 43-101 and our Director, Mine Planning.

### **About SSR Mining**

SSR Mining Inc. is a Canadian-based precious metals producer with three operations, including the Marigold gold mine in Nevada, U.S., the Seabee Gold Operation in Saskatchewan, Canada and the 75%-owned and operated Puna Operations joint venture in Jujuy, Argentina. We also have two feasibility stage projects and a portfolio of exploration properties in North and South America. We are committed to delivering safe production through relentless emphasis on Operational Excellence. We are also focused on growing production and Mineral Reserves through the exploration and acquisition of assets for accretive growth, while maintaining financial strength.

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*of joint ventures; an event of default under our convertible notes may significantly reduce our liquidity and adversely affect our business; failure to meet covenants under our senior secured revolving credit facility; information systems security threats; conflicts of interest that could arise from certain of our directors' and officers' involvement with other natural resource companies; other risks related to our common shares; and those other various risks and uncertainties identified under the heading "Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Information Form filed with the Canadian securities regulatory authorities and included in our most recent Annual Report on Form 40-F filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.*

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