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Silver Standard launches offering of US$200 million of convertible senior notes

VANCOUVER, Jan. 10, 2013 /PRNewswire/ - Silver Standard Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: SSRI, TSX: SSO) ("Silver Standard" or the "Company") announced today that it is offering US$200 million aggregate principal amount of convertible senior notes due 2033 (the "Notes") pursuant to private placement exemptions. The Company intends to use up to approximately US$138 million of the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes to repurchase or redeem its existing convertible notes in March 2013 and the remaining net proceeds for general corporate purposes, which may include developing or advancing its property portfolio.

Silver Standard expects to grant the initial purchasers of the Notes an option to purchase up to an additional US$30 million aggregate principal amount of Notes at any time on or before the 30th day after the initial closing of the offering.

The final terms of the offering will be determined by Silver Standard and the initial purchasers. The Notes will bear cash interest semi-annually at a fixed rate and be convertible by holders into Silver Standard common shares at an initial conversion price higher than the closing share price on the day the offering is priced. Silver Standard currently expects that the Notes will be redeemable by Silver Standard in certain circumstances and Silver Standard also expects that holders may require Silver Standard to repurchase their Notes at certain times.

The offering of Notes is expected to close, subject to market conditions and the satisfaction of closing requirements, on or about January 16, 2013.

The Notes, and the common shares into which the Notes are convertible (the "Shares"), have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or qualified by a prospectus in Canada. The Notes and the Shares may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration under the Securities Act or an applicable exemption from registration under the Securities Act. The Notes will be offered only to "qualified institutional buyers" (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) and outside the United States to non-U.S. persons in compliance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. Offers and sales in Canada will be made only pursuant to exemptions from the prospectus requirements of applicable Canadian provincial securities laws.

This news release is neither an offer to sell nor the solicitation of an offer to buy the Notes or any other securities and shall not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy, or a sale of, the Notes or any other securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale is unlawful.

Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements:

Statements in this news release are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and forward-looking information within the meaning of Canadian securities laws (collectively, "forward-looking statements"). All statements, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements. Generally, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words or phrases such as "expects", "anticipates", "plans", projects", "estimates", "assumes", "intends", "strategy", "goals", "objectives", "potential" or variations thereof, or stating that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved, or the negative of any of these terms or similar expressions. The forward-looking statements in this news release relate to, among other things: the proposed offering, the terms of the Notes, the over-allotment option, if any, the proposed closing of the offering, and the anticipated use of proceeds. These forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ from those expressed or implied, including, without limitation, risks relating to: market risk, the need to negotiate a purchase agreement with the initial purchasers of the Notes and to satisfy the conditions set forth therein and the need to satisfy regulatory and legal requirements with respect to the proposed offering. See the Company's most recent Form 20-F filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and Canadian regulatory authorities for a discussion of other risks and uncertainties that may affect the Company's forward-looking statements.

The Company's forward-looking statements are based on what the Company's management considers to be reasonable assumptions, beliefs, expectations and opinions based on the information currently available to it. We cannot assure you that actual events, performance or results will be consistent with these forward looking statements, and management's assumptions may prove to be incorrect. The Company's forward-looking statements reflect current expectations regarding future events and speak only as of the date hereof and the Company does not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements if circumstances or management's beliefs, expectations or opinions should change other than as required by applicable law. For the reasons set forth above, you should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

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