

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## OCEANAGOLD ANNOUNCES STRATEGIC INVESTMENT IN GOLD STANDARD VENTURES

(MELBOURNE) OceanaGold Corporation (**TSX/ASX/NZX: OGC**) (the "Company") today announced that it has agreed to subscribe for 24,997,661 common shares of Gold Standard Ventures Inc. ("GSV"), on a private placement basis, at a price of C\$0.65 per share (the "Investment"). Closing of the Investment is expected to occur on or about May 20, 2015.

On closing of the Investment, it is expected that OceanaGold will hold approximately 14.9% of the issued and outstanding common shares of GSV. Provided that OceanaGold holds no less than 9.9% of the then issued and outstanding common shares of GSV, OceanaGold will also have the following rights:

- the right to request the formation of a Technical Committee of GSV consisting of at least four members with the appointment of one representative by the OceanGold;
- anti-dilution rights allowing it to maintain its equity ownership interest in GSV;
- following expiry of the statutory hold period of four months plus one day from the closing of the Investment the right to participate in any future equity financings of GSV to acquire up to 19.9% of the then issued and outstanding common shares of GSV;
- a right of first refusal to match any third party offers regarding a tolling arrangement or a nonequity financing for the purpose of funding the future exploration and development of any assets of GSV.

Mick Wilkes, Managing Director and CEO of OceanaGold commented, "Our investment highlights the quality and potential of the Railroad-Pinion project. We also view this as an opportunity to gain exposure to another jurisdiction and one of the most prolific gold belts in the world. We look forward to working with the Gold Standard team and participating in the advancement of the Railroad-Pinion project."

OceanaGold is acquiring the common shares of GSV for investment purposes. Depending on market conditions, OceanaGold may, from time to time, acquire additional common shares or other securities of GSV or dispose of some or all of the Shares.

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**About OceanaGold** 

OceanaGold Corporation is a significant multinational gold and copper producer with over 24 years of operating sustainably in New Zealand and more recently the Philippines. Its flagship operation is the Didipio Mine located in the northern Philippines which commenced commercial production on April 1, 2013 and has a current mine life to 2030. In New Zealand on the South Island, OceanaGold operates the country's largest gold operation at the Macraes Goldfield and the Reefton Gold Mine on the west coast. OceanaGold has an unwavering commitment to the environment and to the host communities in which it operates in and works collaboratively with its valued stakeholders to create opportunities, build capacity and leave a positive, long-lasting legacy well beyond the mining life cycle.

In 2015, the Company expects to produce 295,000 to 335,000 ounces of gold from the combined New Zealand and Didipio operations and 21,000 to 23,000 tonnes of copper from the Didipio operations.

OceanaGold is listed on the Toronto, Australian and New Zealand stock exchanges under the symbol OGC.

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