

# **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# OCEANAGOLD SIGNS DEFINITIVE ACQUISTION AGREEMENT WITH NEWMONT MINING TO ACQUIRE WAIHI GOLD MINE OPERATIONS IN NEW ZEALAND

(MELBOURNE) OceanaGold Corporation (**TSX/ASX/NZX: OGC**) ("OceanaGold") is pleased to announce that further to the announcement on 30 April 2015, it has signed a definitive acquisition agreement with Newmont Mining Corporation ("Newmont") to acquire Newmont's Waihi Gold Mine ("Waihi") in New Zealand for US\$101 million in cash plus customary adjustments. Newmont will also retain a 1% Net Smelter Royalty for gold ounces produced from one specific exploration tenement separate to the mine capped at 300,000 ounces of production.

Mick Wilkes, Managing Director and CEO commented, "We are pleased to announce this significant milestone and excited to integrate the Waihi operations and its experienced workforce into OceanaGold. Waihi represents a unique opportunity for us to acquire a high-quality asset that has demonstrated the propensity to extend mine life for more than two decades in what is still a very prospective, high-quality goldfield." He added, "This proposed acquisition is accretive to shareholders, grows our production profile and importantly will further reduce our industry leading All-In Sustaining Cost (AISC) profile."

## Financing

OceanaGold has received final credit approved commitments to increase its corporate revolving credit facility to a total of US\$225 million. The new facility has competitive financial terms and maintains standard corporate debt covenants.

OceanaGold will fund the purchase price from existing cash and the increased corporate revolving credit facility. As at 31 March 2015, OceanaGold had cash of US\$59.6 million and had drawn US\$77.8 million from its existing corporate revolving credit facility.

## Timeline

Under the proposed acquisition, and subject to legal closing occurring, OceanaGold will have the economic benefit of the asset with effect from 1 July 2015.

The proposed acquisition is subject to New Zealand regulatory conditions, with expected legal closing in the third quarter of 2015.

## Advisors

With respect to the proposed transaction, Citigroup Global Markets Australia Pty Limited is serving as financial advisor and Anderson Lloyd is serving as legal advisor to OceanaGold.

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#### About OceanaGold

OceanaGold Corporation is a significant multinational gold producer with mines located on the South Island of New Zealand and in the Philippines. The Company's assets encompass New Zealand's largest gold mining operation at the Macraes goldfield in Otago which is made up of the Macraes Open Pit and the Frasers Underground mines. Additionally, on the west coast of the South Island, the Company operates the Reefton Open Pit mine. OceanaGold's Didipio Mine in Northern Luzon, Philippines commenced commercial production on 1 April 2013 and is expected to produce 100,000 ounces of gold and 14,000 tonnes of copper per year on average over the next 15 years. In 2015, the Company expects to produce 295,000 to 335,000 ounces of gold from the combined New Zealand (ex-Waihi) and Didipio operations and 21,000 to 23,000 tonnes of copper from the Didipio operation.

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

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