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HILLCREST PETROLEUM CLOSES FIRST TRANCHE OF PRIVATE PLACEMENT

VANCOUVER, B.C. – Hillcrest Petroleum Ltd. (the "Company" or "Hillcrest") announces that the Company has closed a first tranche of its \$500,000 non-brokered private placement (the "Offering") originally announced on May 10, 2017 with an update announcement on June 29, 2017.

Aggregate proceeds of \$279,640 were raised on this first tranche closing. 3,994,857 units (the "Units") at a price of \$0.07 per Unit were issued. Each Unit consists of one common share in the capital of the Company (a "Share") and one-half of one common share purchase warrant (a "Warrant"). Each Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one additional Share at a price of \$0.10 per Share until July 7, 2019.

There were no finder's fees paid on this first tranche closing.

All securities issued in connection with the Offering are subject to a statutory hold period of four months plus a day in accordance with applicable securities legislation expiring on November 8, 2017.

The net proceeds received from the Offering will be used to retire the remainder of the secured debt, licensing and registration costs in both Saskatchewan and Alberta and for general operation and expenses.

The balance of the Offering is expected to close on or before July 14, 2017.

For more information on Hillcrest Petroleum Ltd, contact Don Currie toll free at 1-855-609-0006 or visit the Company's website at www.hillcrestpetroleum.com

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Donald Currie Chief Executive Officer and Director

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