



TARTISAN RESOURCES CORP.

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TARTISAN RESOURCES CORP. ANNOUNCES GRANTING OF OPTIONS

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Tartisan Resources Corp. (CNSX-TTC; “Tartisan” or the “Company”) announces that it has granted options to purchase up to 2,500,000 common shares of Tartisan at the price of \$0.25 per share expiring on October 4, 2017. The options were granted to directors, officers and consultants to the Company in accordance with Tartisan’s stock option plan and the requirements of the Canadian National Stock Exchange. Subsequent to the granting of the current options, the Company has 27,583,258 shares outstanding (35,322,615 fully diluted).

Tartisan is a mineral exploration company with a focus on gold, silver and base metals in North-Central Perú. La Victoria is the flagship project of the Company. Located in northern Ancash Department, Tartisan’s land holdings are located within 50 kilometres of several producing mines including: La Arena owned by Rio Alto Mining Ltd. (TSXV:RIO), Lagunas Norte (Alto Chicama) owned by Barrick Gold Corporation (TSX:ABX) and Santa Rosa owned by Compañía Minera Aurífera Santa Rosa (COMARSA).

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The Canadian National Stock Exchange (CNSX Markets Inc.) has neither approved nor disapproved of the contents of this press release.