Sierra Metals Provides Update on Its Yauricocha Mine in Peru

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TORONTO--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Sierra Metals Inc. (TSX: SMT) (BVL or Bolsa de Valores de Lima: SMT) (NYSE AMERICAN: SMTS) (“Sierra Metals” or “the Company”) reports that a group of residents from the nearby town of Alis have illegally blocked the main access road to the Yauricocha Mine, operated by the Company’s subsidiary, Sociedad Minera Corona. Mine production continues to be suspended with activities limited to critical operations to ensure proper safety and maintenance.

Sierra Metals remains committed to the social development of its host communities and is working towards a peaceful and expeditious resolution of the situation. Representatives from the Company have taken part in constructive dialogue with the members of the group, including requests organized by the Peruvian government. As a road blockade is a matter of public concern, the Company has involved the local authorities for their mediation and assistance in resolving this matter.

The health, safety and wellbeing of all employees and contractors remains Sierra Metals’ top priority. The Company is taking all necessary precautions to safeguard its personnel and the mine infrastructure.

Due to the uncertainty of timing on the resolution of this dispute and the potential delay in the progressive restart of production at the Mine, 2022 production and financial guidance has been suspended.
About Sierra Metals

Sierra Metals Inc. is a diversified Canadian mining company with Green Metal exposure including increasing copper production and base metal production with precious metals byproduct credits, focused on the production and development of its Yauricocha Mine in Peru, and Bolivar and Cusi Mines in Mexico. The Company is focused on increasing production volume and growing mineral resources. Sierra Metals has recently had several new key discoveries and still has many more exciting brownfield exploration opportunities at all three Mines in Peru and Mexico that are within close proximity to the existing mines. Additionally, the Company also has large land packages at all three mines with several prospective regional targets providing longer-term exploration upside and mineral resource growth potential.

The Company's Common Shares trade on the Bolsa de Valores de Lima and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "SMT" and on the NYSE American Exchange under the symbol "SMTS".

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