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# Silvercorp Receives Tanzanian FCC Approval and Provides Further Updates on OreCorp Offer

- FCC Provides Unconditional Approval For Proposed OreCorp Transaction
- INDEPENDENT EXPERT APPOINTED BY ORECORP CONCLUDES THAT THE SILVERCORP OFFER IS FAIR AND REASONABLE
  TO ORECORP SHAREHOLDERS, IN THE ABSENCE OF A SUPERIOR PROPOSAL
- EACH ORECORP DIRECTOR HAS ACCEPTED THE SILVERCORP OFFER

VANCOUVER, British Columbia – February 1, 2024 – Silvercorp Metals Inc. ("Silvercorp" or the "Company") (TSX/NYSE American: SVM) today announced the Company received a Merger Clearance Certificate (dated January 30, 2024) from the Tanzanian Fair Competition Commission (the "FCC") providing unconditional merger control approval for the proposed transaction with OreCorp Limited ("OreCorp") by way of Silvercorp's off-market takeover offer (the "Silvercorp Offer"), for all of the OreCorp shares not already owned by Silvercorp for consideration comprising 0.0967 common shares of Silvercorp and A\$0.19 cash per OreCorp share (the "Transaction"). The FCC approval represents the sole Tanzanian regulatory requirement needed to complete the Transaction. This approval means that the potential breach of the "no regulatory action" condition in paragraph (c) of Appendix 2 of Silvercorp's Replacement Bidder's Statement dated January 16, 2024 ceases to exist.

The Company would like to thank the FCC for providing support throughout the expedited approval process. The Company would also like to express its appreciation to the Tanzanian Honourable Minister for Minerals, Permanent Secretary for Minerals, Treasury Registrar and the Tanzanian Mining Commission, all of whom have expressed support to Silvercorp and OreCorp.

## **Release of Target Statement**

OreCorp has now released its Target's Statement and is currently dispatching it to OreCorp shareholders, including a copy of the Independent Expert's Report prepared by BDO Corporate Finance (WA) Pty Ltd which has concluded that the Silvercorp Offer is fair and reasonable to OreCorp shareholders, in the absence of a superior proposal.

## **OreCorp Director Acceptance of Silvercorp Offer and Recommendation**

Silvercorp notes that each OreCorp director has now accepted the Silvercorp Offer and continues to recommend that OreCorp shareholders ACCEPT the Silvercorp Offer in the absence of a Superior Proposal and subject to the Independent Expert's Report continuing to conclude that the Silvercorp Offer is reasonable to OreCorp shareholders.

The Silvercorp Offer is scheduled to close at 7:00 p.m. (Sydney time) on February 23, 2024, unless the Silvercorp Offer is further extended or withdrawn. Questions or requests for assistance in relation to the Silvercorp Offer may be directed to the Silvercorp Information Line by calling 1300 290 691 (within Australia) or +61 2 9066 4081 (outside Australia) between 9:00am and 5:30pm (Sydney time) Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays in Sydney.

### **About Silvercorp**

Silvercorp is a Canadian mining company producing silver, gold, lead, and zinc with a long history of profitability and growth potential. The Company's strategy is to create shareholder value by 1) focusing on generating free cashflow from long life mines; 2) organic growth through extensive drilling for discovery; 3) ongoing merger and acquisition efforts to unlock value; and 4) long term commitment to responsible mining and ESG. For more information, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.silvercorpmetals.com">www.silvercorpmetals.com</a>.

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Actual results may vary from forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ from those reflected in the forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, risks relating to: global economic and social impact of COVID-19; fluctuating commodity prices; calculation of resources, reserves and mineralization and precious and base metal recovery; interpretations and assumptions of mineral resource and mineral reserve estimates; exploration and development programs; feasibility and engineering reports; permits and licences; title to properties; property interests; joint venture partners; acquisition of commercially mineable mineral rights; financing; recent market events and conditions; economic factors affecting the Company; timing, estimated amount, capital and operating expenditures and economic returns of future production; integration of future acquisitions into the Company's existing operations; competition; operations and political conditions; regulatory environment in China and Canada; environmental risks; foreign exchange rate fluctuations; insurance; risks and hazards of mining operations; key

personnel; conflicts of interest; dependence on management; internal control over financial reporting; and bringing actions and enforcing judgments under U.S. securities laws.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of the Company's forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements about the future and are inherently uncertain, and actual achievements of the Company or other future events or conditions may differ materially from those reflected in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of risks, uncertainties and other factors, including, without limitation, those referred to in the Company's Annual Information Form under the heading "Risk Factors" and in the Company's Annual Report on Form 40-F, and in the Company's other filings with Canadian and U.S. securities regulators. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated, described or intended. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

The Company's forward-looking statements are based on the assumptions, beliefs, expectations and opinions of management as of the date of this news release, and other than as required by applicable securities laws, the Company does not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements if circumstances or management's assumptions, beliefs, expectations or opinions should change, or changes in any other events affecting such statements. Assumptions may prove to be incorrect and actual results may differ materially from those anticipated. Consequently, guidance cannot be guaranteed. For the reasons set forth above, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

Additional information related to the Company, including Silvercorp's Annual Information Form, can be obtained under the Company's profile on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca, on EDGAR at www.sec.gov, and on the Company's website at www.silvercorpmetals.com.