Pinecrest Appoints Greg Smith Vice President Exploration and Dr. John Thomas as Technical Advisor

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Jan 13, 2015) - <u>Pinecrest Resources Ltd.</u> ("Pinecrest" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:PCR) is pleased to announce the appointment of Greg Smith, Vice President of Exploration and Dr. John Thomas as Technical Advisor effective immediately.

George Salamis, CEO of Pinecrest stated: "I am very pleased to welcome both Greg and John to the technical team at Pinecrest. Pinecrest has recently completed the acquisition of 100% of the Enchi Gold Project, Ghana from Edgewater Exploration and Red Back Mining and we are looking forward to the next significant milestone, that being the completion of the Preliminary Economic Assessment ("PEA"). Both Greg and John bring incredible experience from decades in the precious metal resource industry, both have overseen numerous economic studies, construction and production stage projects. The PEA on Enchi will assess the potential for utilizing low cost open pit mining and heap leach gold recovery on the near surface inferred gold resources. The PEA is scheduled to be completed in Q1/2015."

Mr. Smith is an exploration geologist with more than 25 years of experience. He has worked for both junior and senior mining companies in various parts of the world which has included the management and administration of significant work programs that have been successful in outlining a number of multi-million ounce gold deposits. Greg brings a broad range of management and technical experience to Pinecrest from the evaluation of grass roots properties to management of advanced projects including resource and reserve estimation, oversight of geological and technical activities for active underground and open pit mining operations including grade control, QA/QC programs and NI43-101 compliance. His broad range of experience in the natural resource sector also includes administering programs and budgets for advanced technical and economic studies including Preliminary Assessments, Prefeasibility and Feasibility Studies.

Dr. Thomas is a professional engineer and holds a B.Sc., M.Sc., and a PhD in chemical engineering from the University of Manchester, UK. He also received a Diploma in Accounting and Finance from the U. K. Association of Certified Accountants. He has 42 years of experience in the mining industry, including both base metal and precious metal projects in several countries including; Brazil, Venezuela, Costa Rica, Russia, Canada and Zambia. His experience covers a wide range of activities in the mining industry from process development, management of feasibility studies, engineering and management of construction and operation of mines.

The Board of Directors of the Company is comprised of George Salamis, Ryan King, Douglas Forster, Blayne Johnson, Edward Farrauto and Kimberly Williams. The Pinecrest executive team is composed of George Salamis, Chief Executive Officer, Ryan King, President, Greg Smith, Vice President, Exploration, and Kristian Dagsaan, Chief Financial Officer.

About Pinecrest

Pinecrest is a British Columbia corporation that is based in Vancouver, B.C. The Company engages principally in the acquisition, advancement and development of precious mineral properties and the Company intends to advance and develop the Company's 100% owned Enchi gold project located in South West Ghana. Major shareholders of the Company include; Red Back Mining Ghana Ltd. (wholly owned subsidiary of Kinross Gold Corp.), Sandstorm Gold Ltd. and Management.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

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George Salamis, Chief Executive Officer, Director

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