

Pacific Ridge Exploration Ltd.: Grants Incentive Stock Options

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VANCOUVER, Feb 2, 2015 - [Pacific Ridge Exploration Ltd.](#) (TSX VENTURE:PEX) ("Pacific Ridge") has granted incentive stock options under its 10% rolling stock option plan to directors and officers to purchase a total of 868,000 common shares at \$0.05 per share exercisable for a period of five years. The options are subject to acceptance for filing by the TSX Venture Exchange.

About Pacific Ridge

Pacific Ridge is a mineral exploration company. It holds a well-located project portfolio in Yukon's White Gold District, in the same geological environment as Kinross Gold's White Gold deposit, Kaminak Gold's Coffee gold deposits and Comstock Metals' QV gold discovery. The 280 km² **Mariposa** gold project covers the prolific Scroggie and Mariposa placer gold creeks located east of the Kaminak Coffee Creek deposits. Mariposa has seen a \$6 million program of soil sampling, trenching and drilling spent over the past three years resulting in discovery of a number of well mineralized gold zones. The **King Solomon Property** consists of 372 claims under option from Shawn Ryan and Wildwood Exploration Inc. and adjacent claims under option from 39242 Yukon Inc. The property covers 75 km² in the heart of the historic Klondike Gold District and hosts a large and strong gold soil anomaly that was partially tested by a RAB drill program in late 2014. This program encountered broad zones of anomalous gold values with higher grade intervals (see December 19, 2014 news release). In addition the 49 km² **Gold Cap/Polar-Stewart** property, with yet-to-be drilled gold soil anomalies, adjoins the Kinross White Gold deposit.

The Company's **Fyre Lake** copper-gold-cobalt massive sulphide project in the Yukon's Finlayson Lake District is now under option to MinQuest Limited (formerly Merah Resources Limited), a publicly listed Australian company, who may earn an initial 51% interest by making payments in cash and shares valued at \$1.3 million over three years and completing \$3.5 million in exploration. To date, the Fyre Lake Kona Deposit has been defined by 115 holes totaling over 23,200 metres of diamond drilling. The results of a NI 43-101 compliant mineral resource estimate of the Kona Deposit completed in 2002 and reported in 2006 include an indicated mineral resource of 3.571 million tonnes grading 1.57% copper, 0.10% cobalt and 0.61 grams gold per tonne at a 1 percent copper cut-off grade. An inferred mineral resource, at the same cut-off grade, includes 5.361 million tonnes grading 1.48% copper, 0.08% cobalt and 0.53 grams gold per tonne. These estimates were prepared by D. Blanchflower, P.Geo. of Minorex Consulting Ltd. who is the qualified person for this purpose.

MinQuest recently completed an airborne VTEM survey over the Fyre Lake property as well as re-sampling of key historical drill intervals. MinQuest is now preparing for a 2015 exploration program at Fyre Lake that is planned to include infill and extensional drilling with the objective of increasing the size of the Kona resource. MinQuest also plans to test priority drill targets within the Fyre Lake Property that hold potential for discovery of additional copper-gold massive sulphide mineralization.

The technical information contained within this News Release has been reviewed and approved by Gerald G. Carlson, Ph.D., P.Eng., Vice President Exploration of Pacific Ridge Exploration, and Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 policy.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

Gerald G. Carlso
President & CEO, Pacific Ridge Exploration Ltd.

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