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Sherritt Announces Ambatovy June Monthly Production Update and Receipt of Environmental Certificate

TORONTO, July 9, 2015 – Sherritt International Corporation ("Sherritt" or the "Corporation") (TSX:S) announced today the June 2015 operational results for the Ambatovy Joint Venture.

Operating results attributable to Sherritt at a 40% ownership basis are summarized in the following table:

	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	Change	June 2015	May 2015	April 2015
Production volumes (tonnes – 40% basis)						
Finished nickel	8,814	7,114	24%	1,364	1,550	1,244
Finished cobalt	608	562	8%	111	103	50

For the month of June, finished nickel production was 1,364 tonnes (3,410 tonnes, 100% basis), or approximately 69% of nameplate capacity, and finished cobalt production was 111 tonnes (278 tonnes, 100% basis). Ore throughput in the pressure acid leach (PAL) circuit was 328,932 tonnes (100% basis), or approximately 68% of nameplate capacity.

As announced on June 3, 2015, both ore thickeners were damaged in the third week of May 2015 following a power outage and taken offline for repair. In the month of June, unthickened ore was processed directly through the PAL circuit, negatively impacting ore throughput rates. During this period, fixed costs over lower unit volumes have been offset by savings in input costs. One of the thickeners has just returned to service, and all efforts are now focused on the repair of the second thickener. The Ambatovy head count reduction announced in June has taken effect, and further cost control initiatives are being evaluated given continued low nickel prices.

The Ambatovy project lenders' independent engineer verified and signed the Environmental Certificate on June 19, the eighth of the ten certificates required under Ambatovy's financing terms, with the remaining two certificates expected to be delivered prior to September 30, 2015.

Forward-Looking Statements

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Sherritt is a world leader in the mining and refining of nickel from lateritic ores with projects and operations in Canada, Cuba, and Madagascar. The Corporation is the largest independent energy producer in Cuba, with extensive oil and power operations across the island. Sherritt licenses its proprietary technologies and provides metallurgical services to mining and refining operations worldwide. The Corporation's common shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "S".

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