



## Wesdome Announces Corporate Restructuring and Management Changes

TORONTO, Sept. 19, 2017 -- Wesdome Gold Mines ("Wesdome" or the "Company") (TSX:WDO) today announces a corporate restructuring and consequent management changes.

Effectively immediately, Philip Ng, Chief Operating Officer, Hemdat Sawh, Chief Financial Officer, George Mannard, Vice President - Exploration, and Benoit Laplante, Vice President - Corporate Development, have departed the Company.

In connection with the corporate restructuring, and our efforts to reduce cost profiles, increase production, and improve profitability, the positions of Vice President, Corporate Development and Vice President, Quebec Operations have been eliminated. Accordingly, Marc-Andre Pelletier, (previously Vice President, Quebec Operations) has been appointed Chief Operating Officer and will oversee all Company operations. The Company also wishes to welcome Ben Au and Michael Michaud, who have been appointed as Chief Financial Officer and Vice President - Exploration, respectively, who will start September 26, 2017. Biographies for Ben Au and Michael Michaud follow below.

Duncan Middlemiss, President and CEO, commented, "On behalf of management and the board of directors, I would like to thank Phil, Hemdat, George, and Benoit, whose combined efforts, accomplishments and dedication have positioned Wesdome for growth with an attractive portfolio of Canadian assets. I would also like to thank them for their professionalism with the ongoing facilitation of the transition process. We wish them continued success in their future endeavours. Additionally, I would like to welcome Ben and Michael to the Wesdome team. Both have extensive experience working for public, multi-asset, underground gold mining companies in Canada. Their valued expertise will be excellent assets during our next phase of growth to an intermediate gold producer."

### **Ben Au**

Mr. Au, CPA, CA has over 35 years of experience in financial management and reporting, mining operations, M&A, risk management, contract negotiation and strategy development. His previous roles include ten years as an Audit Manager at Ernst & Young, and eleven years at Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited in increasingly senior financial reporting roles. Most recently, he was Chief Financial Officer and Vice President, Finance and Administration at St Andrew Goldfields Ltd. where he oversaw all aspects of the Company's internal audit, regulatory compliance and reporting, P&L management, M&A and Treasury functions. Mr. Au has been instrumental in overseeing significant levels of equity and debt raises for public companies.

### **Michael Michaud**

Mr. Michaud, P.Geo., M.Sc. is a Professional Geologist with over 30 years of experience in domestic and international gold exploration and mining that includes a broad range of deposit types within North and South America, Africa, Asia and Europe. Michael was responsible for developing and implementing regional and mine-site exploration strategies to discover new deposits and to expand mineral resources and reserves around existing mines. Most recently Michael served as Iamgold's Chief Geologist responsible for providing global geological support for IAMGOLD's exploration activities worldwide. Previously, Michael held roles of increasing responsibility for several exploration and mining companies including, Vice-President, Exploration for St Andrew Goldfields and was a Principal of SRK Consulting Inc. Mr. Michaud holds an honors B.Sc. from the University of Waterloo, and a M.Sc. from Lakehead University. Mr. Michaud is an executive council member of the Geological Association of Canada and involved with the APGO's mentoring program.

### **ABOUT WESDOME**

Wesdome Gold Mines is in its 30<sup>th</sup> year of continuous gold mining operations in Canada. The Company is 100% Canadian focused with a pipeline of projects in various stages of development. The Eagle River Complex in Wawa, Ontario is currently producing gold from two mines, the Eagle River Underground Mine and the Mishi Open pit, from a central mill. Wesdome is actively exploring its brownfields asset, the Kiena Complex in Val d'Or, Quebec. The Kiena Complex is a fully permitted former mine with a 930 metre shaft and 2,000 tonne per day mill. The Company has further upside at its Moss Lake gold deposit, located 100 kilometres west of Thunder Bay, Ontario, which is being explored and evaluated to be developed in the appropriate gold price environment. The Company has approximately 133.9 million shares issued and outstanding and trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "WDO."

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