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RUSSEL METALS ANNOUNCES 2017 ANNUAL MEETING VOTING RESULTS

TORONTO, CANADA – May 3, 2017 -- Russel Metals Inc. (RUS - TSX) announced voting results from its 2017 annual meeting of shareholders held on May 3, 2017. A total of 33,775,723 common shares were represented at the meeting in person or by proxy, representing 54.66% of the 61,792,194 issued and outstanding common shares as of the record date on March 20, 2017.

Shareholders voted in favour of the election of each nominee director by a substantial majority as follows:

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Percentage For</u>	<u>Votes Withheld</u>	<u>Percentage Withheld</u>
Alain Benedetti	33,271,351	99.57 %	142,037	0.43 %
John M. Clark	33,241,137	99.48 %	172,251	0.52 %
James F. Dinning	32,285,014	96.62 %	1,128,374	3.38 %
John A. Hanna	33,263,292	99.55 %	150,096	0.45 %
Brian R. Hedges	33,321,030	99.72 %	92,358	0.28 %
Barbara S. Jeremiah	33,289,041	99.63 %	124,347	0.37 %
Alice D. Laberge	32,341,436	96.79 %	1,071,952	3.21 %
Lise Lachapelle	32,244,359	96.50 %	1,169,029	3.50 %
William M.O'Reilly	33,303,703	99.67 %	109,685	0.33 %
John R. Tulloch	33,312,690	99.70 %	100,698	0.30 %

The Company's advisory "say on pay" resolution was overwhelmingly approved with 97.30% of the votes cast in favour of the resolution. In addition the resolution appointing Deloitte LLP as auditors of the Company was approved.

Russel Metals is one of the largest metals distribution companies in North America. It carries on business in three metals distribution segments: metals service centers, energy products and steel distributors, under various names including Russel Metals, A.J. Forsyth, Acier Leroux, Acier Loubier, Alberta Industrial Metals, Apex Distribution, Apex Monarch, Apex Remington, Apex Western Fiberglass, Arrow Steel Processors, B&T Steel, Baldwin International, Comco Pipe and Supply, Fedmet Tubulars, JMS Russel Metals, Leroux Steel, McCabe Steel, Mégantic

Métal, Métaux Russel, Métaux Russel Produits Spécialisés, Milspec, Norton Metals, Pioneer Pipe, Russel Metals Processing, Russel Metals Specialty Products, Russel Metals Williams Bahcall, Spartan Energy Tubulars, Sunbelt Group, Triumph Tubular & Supply, Wirth Steel and York-Ennis.

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