# Update on Status of Technical Reports for Its Mexican Projects

Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - November 29, 2024) - Defiance Silver Corp. (TSXV: DEF) (FSE: D4E) (WKN: A1JQW5) ("**Defiance**" or the "**Company**") would like to provide an update on the preparation of the required technical reports for its Tepal and San Acacio projects (also see the Company's <u>February 2<sup>nd</sup></u> and <u>April 10<sup>th</sup> 2024</u> press releases for more details).

## **Tepal**

As reported by the Company last April, the Company concluded that it was incapable of providing an amended report and that it would therefore prepare a new report on the project in compliance with National Instrument 43- 101 - *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects* ("**NI 43-101**"). Defiance has been working with Micon International Limited, its technical advisors, to prepare a new technical report, including a new Mineral Resource Estimate ("**MRE**"), that will replace the previously filed technical report for its Tepal project.

Following the acquisition of ValOro Resources by Defiance at the beginning of January 2019 (see press release dated <u>January 7, 2019</u>), it was decided that more focus would be put on the development of the San Acacio project (which forms part of the Zacatecas complex) with management devoting less attention and resources to Tepal, working with the existing reports and results on the project. In June 2022, Defiance announced it had been the victim of an illegal and fraudulent transfer of the mineral concessions forming part of the Tepal project (see press release dated <u>June 24, 2022</u>). As such, the review of the Tepal project was further complicated by the Company's inability to access the project for two years due legal issues related to a number of illegally and fraudulently transferred concessions. This issue was finally resolved, through the Mexican courts, in favour of the Company as confirmed by its news release dated <u>March 6, 2024</u>.

Access has provided further information and insights into the nature and extent of the mineralization, allowed the Company to identify areas where further work could assist in infilling information in the current mineralized zones, expanding the mineralized zones or identifying new ones and identifying gaps in the database where further exploration programs could enhance and refine the information used as the basis of our new MRE.

The Company is however not in a position to amend the 2017 Preliminary Economic Assessment (the "2017 PEA") on the Tepal Project, principally because the Qualified Person ("QP") responsible for the metallurgical section of the 2017 PEA has retired, has been unavailable to exchange and collaborate with the Company and Micon on the results of his work, and Micon is not in position to replicate and sign-off on the metallurgical results obtained by the QP for the 2017 PEA. Therefore, this work will need to be redone.

In addition, once the Company regained access to the property, it conducted a review of the previous work on the project, comprised of verifying the Tepal database and relogging of several holes. Finally, the increase in the metal prices and likely increase in capital costs, determined that those portions of the previous 2017 PEA will also need to be updated. The Company plans to complete a new preliminary economic assessment during the course of 2025 following the release of the new MRE on the project.

The Company anticipates being in a position to file the new Tepal technical report by mid-December.

#### San Acacio (Zacatecas project)

Defiance has been working with SGS Geological Services, who has been contracted to prepare a revised technical report that will include all projects forming part of the overall Zacatecas complex, which

includes the San Acacio project. The revised technical report will include all exploration work completed on the project to date.

A mineral resource estimate was disclosed for the San Acacio project in a 2014 technical report. However, as indicated in the <u>February 2, 2024 news release</u>, the 2014 report did not comply with disclosure requirements for mineral resources set out in NI 43-101.

Defiance has completed additional diamond drilling on the project since 2014, including 72 drill holes for a total of 25,446.62 metres on the San Acacio project, as well as extensive surface geological and structural mapping of the mineralized zones, and surface soil sampling of the entire project. This work has not yet been incorporated into current geological and resource models for use in the preparation of a current mineral resource estimate by an independent qualified person.

Since the 2014 Mineral Resource Estimate ("**MRE**") did not comply with disclosure requirements for mineral resources set out in NI 43-101, and the additional drilling completed on the project has not yet been incorporated into current geological and resource models for use in the preparation of a current mineral resource estimate by an independent qualified person, there are no current mineral resources on the project.

The Company anticipates being in a position to file the new Zacatecas technical report in mid-December.

#### **Qualified Person**

Mr. George Cavey, P. Geo, Vice-President Exploration and Director of the Company, is a Qualified Person within the meaning of NI 43-101 and has approved the technical information concerning the Company's material mineral projects contained in this press release.

## **About Defiance Silver Corp.**

Defiance Silver Corp. (TSXV: DEF) (FSE: D4E) (OTCQX: DNCVF) is an exploration company advancing the district-scale Zacatecas project, located in the historic Zacatecas Silver District and the Tepal Gold/Copper Project in Michoacán state, Mexico. Defiance is managed by a team of proven mine developers with a track record of exploring, advancing, and developing several operating mines and advanced resource projects. Defiance's corporate mandate is to advance our projects through capital-efficient exploration focused on resource growth and new mineral discoveries.

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