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PRESS RELEASE

OCEANIC AND 154619 CANADA INC. FINALIZE SETTLEMENT OF 2016 ADVANCE ROYALTY PAYMENT

Montreal QC - Oceanic Iron Ore Corp. ("**Oceanic**", or the "**Company**") announces the issuance of 400,000 common shares of the Company from treasury as settlement of its \$100,000 2016 advance royalty payment to 154619 Canada Inc. ("**154619**"), a company controlled by Mr. Peter Ferderber.

The settlement of its advance royalty payment is pursuant to the terms of an amendment in respect of its royalty agreement with 154619, originally announced on January 25, 2017. The price at which the common shares were issued was \$0.25.

The common shares issued by the Company in connection with the settlement of the 2016 advance royalty payment are subject to a 4-month hold period as prescribed by the TSX Venture Exchange and applicable securities laws.

Alan Gorman, President and CEO, commented "*On behalf of management and directors, we thank Mr. Ferderber for his unwavering support and wish him many more years marked by good health as Peter celebrates the occasion of his 90th birthday this week*".

OCEANIC IRON ORE CORP. (www.oceanicironore.com)

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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