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PRESS RELEASE

OCEANIC SETTLES 2016 ADVANCE ROYALTY PAYMENT WITH 154619 CANADA INC.

Montreal QC - Oceanic Iron Ore Corp. ("**Oceanic**", or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that it has reached agreement with 154619 Canada Inc. ("**154619**"), a company controlled by Mr. Peter Ferderber, in respect of the settlement of its 2016 advance royalty payment of \$100,000.

The Company and 154619 have agreed to settle the 2016 advance royalty payment through the issuance of 400,000 common shares at a price of \$0.25 per share, subject to approval by the TSX Venture Exchange. The common shares issued will be subject to the statutory four month hold period.

In accordance with the agreement between Oceanic and 154619, 154619 is entitled to a \$100,000 annual advance royalty payment until the commencement of commercial production on the Company's Hopes Advance Project. Advanced royalty payments for both 154619 and the other royalty holder, SPG Royalties Inc., are deductible from actual royalty payments subsequent to the commencement of commercial production.

With the settlement of the 2016 advanced royalty payment, Oceanic remains current in respect of its contractual obligations with 154619.

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

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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