

**Bluestone Announces Appointment of Mr. Jeff Reinson as Vice President, Project Development**

January 2, 2018 – VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA - Bluestone Resources Inc. (TSXV:BSR) ("Bluestone" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Jeff Reinson as the Company's new Vice President, Project Development. Mr. Reinson will be responsible for overseeing the Feasibility Study currently underway on the Cerro Blanco gold project. Additionally, Mr. Reinson will assume leadership over all development and project execution related activities for the Cerro Blanco gold and Mita geothermal projects in Guatemala.

Mr. Reinson previously held senior project and engineering management roles with Goldcorp Inc., AngloGold Ashanti Limited, Newmont Mining Corporation, and Rio Tinto Ltd. where he led numerous major heavy civil infrastructure projects from conceptual studies through execution. Fundamental to these successful projects was Mr. Reinson's leadership in developing and integrating community and social engagement plans within Project Execution Plans.

Bluestone's President and CEO, Darren Klinck, commented "We are very pleased to welcome Jeff to the Bluestone team. Jeff brings a wide range of studies management, development and project execution experience throughout the Americas and will immediately take on an important role of turning his attention to the Cerro Blanco feasibility study." Mr. Klinck added, "I am delighted to have someone of Jeff's caliber join Bluestone's executive team and I look forward to working with him as we advance key priorities in 2018."

*Jeff Reinson, M.Sc.*

Mr. Reinson is a civil engineer with over 25 years of experience leading major heavy civil infrastructure projects from early conceptual studies through to execution and handover. After spending 10 years honing his technical expertise as a consulting engineer, Jeff spent the last 15 years of his career with major international mining companies leading or supporting large, multi-disciplined project teams throughout Mexico, Colombia, Chile, Peru, and Canada. Most recently Jeff was Project Director for Goldcorp, where he was leading the safe construction of Penasquito's +\$750 million tailings storage facility expansion, a heap leach facility expansion feasibility study and a large groundwater remediation project.

Jeff holds master's and bachelor's degrees in civil engineering from the University of Saskatchewan where he received the Wong-Fredlund Unsaturated Soils Scholarship.

The Company also announces that, pursuant to the Company's stock option plan, Bluestone has granted incentive stock options to certain employees, officers and directors of the Company, exercisable to purchase up to 920,000 common shares until January 2, 2021 at an exercise price of \$1.50 per share.

**About Bluestone Resources**

Bluestone Resources is a mineral exploration and development company that is focused on advancing its 100% owned Cerro Blanco gold and Mita geothermal projects located in Guatemala. The Cerro Blanco Project economics, as disclosed in the Company's Cerro Blanco Preliminary Economic Assessment which is available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com), and updated mineral resource estimate for Cerro Blanco indicates a robust project with an expected nine-year mine life producing 952,000 ounces of gold and 3,141,000 ounces of silver. Initial capital expenditures estimated in the PEA to fund construction and commissioning is estimated at US\$170.8 million with all-in sustaining cash costs (as defined per World Gold Council guidelines, less corporate general and administration costs) estimated

to be US\$490 per ounce of gold produced. The Company trades under the symbol “BSR” on the TSX Venture Exchange.

### **On Behalf of Bluestone Resources Inc.**

"Darren Klinck"

Darren Klinck | President, Chief Executive Officer & Director

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### **Cautionary Language**

The PEA is preliminary in nature, it includes inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have the economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves, and there is no certainty that the PEA will be realized. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

The scientific and technical disclosure in this news release has been reviewed and approved by John Robins, Executive Chairman of the Company, who is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

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### **Forward Looking Statements**

This press release contains “forward-looking information” within the meaning of Canadian securities legislation and “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (collectively, “**forward-looking statements**”). All statements, other than statements of historical fact, that address activities, events or developments that Bluestone Resources Inc. (“**Bluestone**” or the “**Company**”) believes, expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future including, without limitation: the proposed timeline and benefits of the Feasibility Study; statements about the Company’s plans for its mineral properties; Bluestone’s business strategy, plans and outlook; the future financial or operating performance of Bluestone; capital expenditures, corporate general and administration expenses and exploration and development expenses; expected working capital requirements; the future financial estimates of the Cerro Blanco Project economics, including estimates of capital costs of constructing mine facilities and bringing a mine into production and of sustaining capital costs, estimates of operating costs and total costs, net present value and economic returns; proposed production timelines and rates; funding availability; resource estimates; and future exploration and operating plans are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements reflect the current expectations or beliefs of the Company based on information currently available to Bluestone and often use words such as “expects”, “plans”, “anticipates”, “estimates”, “intends”, “may” or variations thereof or the negative of any of these terms.

All forward-looking statements are made based on the Company’s current beliefs as well as various assumptions made by them and information currently available to them. Generally, these assumptions include, among others: the ability of Bluestone to carry on exploration and development activities; the price of gold, silver and other metals; there being no material variations in the current tax and regulatory environment; the exchange rates among the Canadian dollar, Guatemalan quetzal and the United States dollar remaining consistent with current levels; the presence of and continuity of metals at the Cerro Blanco Project at estimated grades; the availability of personnel, machinery and equipment at estimated prices and within estimated delivery times; metals sales prices and exchange rates assumed; appropriate discount rates applied to the cash flows in economic analyses; tax rates and royalty rates applicable to the proposed mining operation; the availability of acceptable financing; anticipated mining losses and dilution; success in realizing proposed operations; anticipated timelines for community consultations and the impact of those consultations on the regulatory approval process.

Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that may cause the actual results of the Company to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements and, even if such actual results are realized or substantially realized, there can be no assurance that they will have the expected consequences to, or effects on, Bluestone. Factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from current expectations include, among other things: risks and uncertainties related to expected production rates, timing and amount of production and total costs of production; risks and uncertainties related to ability to obtain or maintain necessary licenses, permits, or surface rights; risks associated with technical difficulties in connection with mining development activities; risks and uncertainties related to the accuracy of mineral resource estimates and estimates of future production, future cash flow, total costs of production and diminishing quantities or grades of mineral resources; risks associated with geopolitical uncertainty and political and economic instability in Guatemala; risks and uncertainties related to interruptions in production; the possibility that future

exploration, development or mining results will not be consistent with the Company's expectations; uncertain political and economic environments and relationships with local communities; risks relating to variations in the mineral content within the mineral identified as mineral resources from that predicted; variations in rates of recovery and extraction; developments in world metals markets; risks related to fluctuations in currency exchange rates; as well as those factors discussed under "Risk Factors" in the Company's Amended and Restated Annual Information Form.

Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it was made, and except as may be required by applicable securities laws, Bluestone disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or results or otherwise. Although Bluestone believes that the assumptions inherent in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and accordingly undue reliance should not be put on such statements due to their inherent uncertainty. There can be no assurance that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate, and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements.