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Kootenay Silver Announces Term Amendments for the Columba Option Agreement

Kootenay Silver Inc. (TSXV: KTN) (the “Company” or “Kootenay”) is pleased to announce it has amended the terms for the Columba option agreement to allow for 50% of the April 2023 payment of US\$430,000 plus 16% IVA to be paid in common shares of the Company. The payment is due on April 12, 2023, and will be paid as follows US\$215,000 cash and US\$215,000 (plus 16% IVA) in Kootenay common shares calculated at the volume weighted average price of Kootenay for the previous twenty trading days with that price converted to US dollar value using the Bank of Canada’s exchange rate over the twenty-day period. The final payment of US\$215,000 which will be paid in cash, is due on May 12, 2023, after which the Company will own 100% of the Columba project.

Additionally, the Company has reached an agreement with an arm’s length party dated March 31, 2023 to resolve conflicting property interests, pursuant to which Kootenay will issue 2,018,710 in common shares in consideration of US\$135,000 plus 16% IVA, based on the 20-day volume weighted average price prior to the agreement of \$0.1064 per common share, converted by the US dollar to Canadian dollar average exchange rate for the 20 day period prior to March 31, 2023 of \$1.3715.

The common shares to be issued under these agreements will have a hold period of four months and one day. The issuance of common shares is subject to TSX Venture Stock Exchange approval.

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About Kootenay Silver Inc.

Kootenay Silver Inc. is an exploration company actively engaged in the discovery and development of mineral projects in the Sierra Madre Region of Mexico and in British Columbia, Canada. Supported by

one of the largest junior portfolios of silver assets in Mexico, Kootenay continues to provide its shareholders with significant leverage to silver prices. The Company remains focused on the expansion of its current silver resources, new discoveries and the near-term economic development of its priority silver projects located in prolific mining districts in Sonora, State and Chihuahua, State, Mexico, respectively.

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