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Santacruz Silver Announces Cease Trade Order

Vancouver, B.C. – Santacruz Silver Mining Ltd. (TSX.V:SCZ) ("Santacruz" or "the Company") advises that it is delayed in filing its audited annual financial statements and corresponding management's discussion and analysis for the year ended December 31, 2022, including the CEO and CFO certificates (collectively the "Financial Documents") with a filing deadline of May 1, 2023.

As a result of the Company's delayed filing of its Financial Documents, the Company has received a cease trade order (the "**CTO**") from the British Columbia Securities Commission.

The Company has experienced delays in preparing the Financial Documents following the acquisition of the Bolivian assets and is working diligently to finalize and file such Financial Documents, at which point the Company will seek to have the CTO revoked.

About Santacruz Silver Mining Ltd.

Santacruz Silver is engaged in the operation, acquisition, exploration, and development of mineral properties in Latin America, with a primary focus on silver and zinc, but also including lead and copper. The Company has six producing mines. Bolivar, Porco and the Caballo Blanco Group, which consists of the Tres Amigos, Reserva and Colquechaquita mines are in Bolivia, along with the Soracaya exploration project and San Lucas ore sourcing and trading business. The Zimapan mine is in Mexico.

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These forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties and actual results might differ materially from results suggested in any forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, among other things, risks that the Company will not be able to finalize and file the Financial Documents, that the Company will not be successful in obtaining a revocation of the CTO, risks related to changes in general economic, business and political conditions, including changes in the financial markets, changes in applicable laws, and compliance with extensive government regulation, as well as those risk factors discussed or referred to in the Company's disclosure documents filed with the securities regulatory authorities in certain provinces of Canada and available at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

In making the forward-looking statements in this news release, the Company has applied several material assumptions, including without limitation, the assumption that the Company will successfully finalize and file the Financial Documents in a timely manner.

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