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STAR DIAMOND CORPORATION ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF LISA RILEY TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE FORMATION OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Star Diamond Corporation (TSX:DIAM) ("Star Diamond" or the "Corporation") is pleased to announce that Lisa Riley has been appointed as an independent member of the board of directors (the "Board") of Star Diamond.

"Lisa has had significant success throughout her career and her extensive experience advising mining companies and investors will be invaluable to Star Diamond," said Ewan D. Mason, Chairman of the Board. "We are very pleased to have Lisa join our Board."

As previously disclosed, Star Diamond received notice (the "Exercise Notice") in November 2019 from Rio Tinto Exploration Canada Inc. ("RTEC") advising that RTEC was exercising all four of its options under the Option to Joint Venture Agreement dated June 22, 2017. The Board has formed a Special Committee of non-management directors (Ewan D. Mason, Harvey J. Bay, Lisa K. Riley and C. Michael Ryer) to review and consider the Exercise Notice, including whether the options have been validly exercised by RTEC, to oversee the Corporation's dealings with RTEC including in relation to the Exercise Notice and to consider the Corporation's alternatives in the context of the Exercise Notice.

About Star Diamond Corporation

Star Diamond Corporation is a Canadian based corporation engaged in the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties. Shares of the Corporation trade on the TSX Exchange under the trading symbol "DIAM". The Fort à la Corne kimberlites (including the Star - Orion South Diamond Project) are located in central Saskatchewan in close proximity to established infrastructure, including paved highways and the electrical power grid, which provide significant advantages for future mine development.

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