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NORTHERN FREEGOLD MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENTS

Vancouver, BC: January 23, 2017. Northern Freegold Resources Ltd. (TSX-V: NFR) (the “Issuer” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the following management appointments.

Dr. Tony Barresi appointed Vice President, Exploration

The Company is pleased to announce the appointment of Tony Barresi, Ph.D., P.Geo., as Vice President, Exploration of the Company. Dr. Barresi is an economic geologist with greater than ten years of base and precious metal exploration experience. He has conducted successful exploration programs on grassroots and brownfields projects, and specializes in volcanogenic massive sulfide, porphyry and epithermal deposit exploration. He also has experience conducting exploration for rare-earth-element, Mississippi-valley type, iron-oxide-copper-gold, skarn, orogenic gold, and diamond deposits. Tony obtained his B.Sc. (honours) from Saint Mary’s University in 2004 and Ph.D. from Dalhousie University in 2015. His Ph.D. thesis focused on the interplay between island-arc evolution and metallogenesis as recorded by the Hazelton Group in northwestern British Columbia, within one of Canada’s premiere metal districts. Tony was awarded the prestigious Mary-Claire Ward Geoscience Award for his thesis by the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) and the Geological Association of Canada (GAC).

As Vice President, Exploration of Northern Freegold Resources Ltd., Dr. Barresi will be responsible for overseeing the Company’s exploration and development activities. Paul Reynolds, President of the Company, commented “we are delighted to be able to attract a professional of Tony’s calibre to Northern Freegold. He has been leading our exploration efforts, as a consultant, since June 2016 and has been instrumental in helping to better understand the nature and timing of mineralization at both Nucleus and Revenue, resulting in the generation of new exploration opportunities.”

Glen Diduck appointed interim Corporate Secretary

The Company is pleased to report the appointment of Glen Diduck as interim Corporate Secretary. Mr. Diduck is currently the Company’s Chief Financial Officer. Glen has over 30 years of experience in public accounting with a focus on accounting, audit, and taxation of small to medium sized businesses. Since leaving the public accounting sector his focus has shifted to required disclosure in financial reporting, disclosure controls, and corporate governance in the junior mining exploration industry. Mr. Diduck replaces Connie Norman. The Company wishes to thank Connie for her years of service to the Company.

About Northern Freegold

Northern Freegold is a growth oriented Canadian-based precious metals exploration and development company. Northern Freegold is focused on creating value through the advancement of the district scale Freegold Mountain project in Yukon. For maps and more information, please visit our website www.northernfreegold.com

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On behalf of the Board of Directors

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