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NEWS RELEASE

DRILLING PERMIT OBTAINED FOR ESTRELLA SILVER PROJECT IN PERU

New Oroperu Resources Inc. (TSX Venture Exchange: ORO) (“Oroperu”) (the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has obtained a Category B Permit (20 drill sites) for the diamond drilling exploration of its Estrella Silver Project in Peru. The 1800 hectare property is 100% owned by the Company. The project is accessible by a maintained secondary road joining the central highway about 120 km. from Lima.

Prior historical work on Estrella comprises three short adits and several open cuts along a mineralized contact zone between Tertiary aged andesitic volcanics and limestone. Geological mapping by the Company has traced this mineralized zone over 500 meters.

Chip sampling by the Company in the area of intense silicification and strong argillic alteration returned silver values up to 342 g/tonne and 688 g/tonne silver in the silicified limestone.

IP geophysics has now better defined the zone along the surface and at depth. In the area adjacent to the contact zone within the limestone, the IP has outlined zones of high chargeability associated with high resistivity. The drill program is designed to track the known surface mineralization to depth and test the buried geophysical targets.

The Company has planned a nine hole 1500 m. phase one drill program. A drill contract has been signed and drilling is scheduled to start in late August.

The Company looks forward to testing the potential of this 100%-owned silver project.

For further information, please contact the Company at 604-535-4451 or visit our website at www.orooperu.com.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY

“Aris Morfopoulos”

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