



U.S. Silica to Upsize Senior Secured Term Loan to \$500 Million

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FREDERICK, Md., Dec. 8, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- U.S. Silica Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: SLCA) today announced the upsizing of its senior secured term loan with BNP Paribas by an additional \$135 million to a total of approximately \$500 million.

U.S. Silica President and Chief Executive Officer Bryan Shinn said, "Upsizing our term loan further enhances our already strong balance sheet and provides us with additional flexibility to facilitate our disciplined approach to capital allocation, which includes organic growth opportunities, funding acquisitions and returning cash to shareholders."

About U.S. Silica

U.S. Silica Holdings, Inc., a member of the Russell 2000, is a leading producer of commercial silica used in the oil and gas industry, and in a wide range of industrial applications. Over its 114-year history, U.S. Silica has developed core competencies in mining, processing, logistics and materials science that enable it to produce and cost-effectively deliver over 250 products to customers across our end markets. The company currently operates nine industrial sand production plants and seven oil and gas sand production plants. The company is headquartered in Frederick, Maryland and also has offices located in Chicago, Illinois, Houston, Texas and Shanghai, China. The company operates on a platform of ethics, safety and sustainability. U.S. Silica was named America's Best Small Company for 2014 by Forbes Magazine. The Company is a founding member of Wisconsin Industrial Sand Association (WISA) and has been recognized by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) as a partner in the WDNR Green Tier program. In becoming a Green Tier participant, U.S. Silica demonstrates its commitment to achieving superior environmental and economic performance.

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