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**Amerisur Resources Plc ("Amerisur" or the "Company" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group")**

**Statement Regarding Potential Litigation**

Further to recent media reports, Amerisur Resources Plc ("Amerisur" or the "Company") announces that the Company's solicitors received a copy of a Claim Form issued in the High Court of England and Wales by Leigh Day solicitors, a no win no fee firm, on behalf of 15 claimants described as members of the farming community in the department of Putumayo in the Republic of Colombia (the "Claimants"). No Particulars of Claim were served with the Claim Form.

The Claim Form stated that the Claimants are seeking compensation for damage said to be caused by environmental contamination and pollution caused by the Company in Colombia. The Claimants have currently quantified their losses in the sum of £5,500 per person, equal therefore to £82,500 based on 15 individual claimants (excluding legal fees). The accusations of environmental damage referenced in the Application have previously been investigated by the Colombian regulator, and have been found not to have any merit. The Company views the substance of the claim to be without merit.

The Company's solicitors have also received a copy of an Application Notice issued by Leigh Day on behalf of the Claimants, seeking a worldwide freezing order against the Company (the "Application") to protect the value of their claim. The Application is listed for a first hearing on 9 January 2020. The Company has been advised that the Court is unlikely to make any final determination on the Application as at that date and that the Application is unlikely to be successful.

Even if successful (and contrary to the media reports), the Application is not expected to disrupt the recommended cash acquisition pursuant to which GeoPark Colombia, a wholly owned subsidiary of GeoPark, will acquire the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of Amerisur pursuant to a scheme of arrangement (the "**Scheme**"). The Application does not seek to prevent the Scheme from being sanctioned or from becoming effective. The Scheme is expected to become effective on 16 January 2020.

**Effective Date and Timetable for the Transaction**

Completion of the Transaction remains subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the remaining Conditions set out in the Scheme Document, including the Court sanctioning the Scheme at the Court Hearing, which is scheduled for 14 January 2020.

Subject to the Scheme receiving the sanction of the Court on that date and the delivery of the Court Order to the Registrar of Companies, the Scheme is expected to become Effective on 16 January 2020.

It is also expected that dealings in Amerisur Shares will be suspended with effect from 7.30 a.m. on 16 January 2020. The last day of dealing in, and for registration of transfers of, Amerisur Shares will therefore be 15 January 2020. If the Court sanctions the Scheme on 14 January 2020, the London Stock Exchange will be requested to cancel trading of Amerisur Shares on AIM. Such cancellation is expected to take effect from 7.00 a.m. on 17 January 2020.

The expected timetable of principal events for the implementation of the Scheme remains as set out on page 9 of the Scheme Document. If any of the dates and/or times in the expected timetable change, the revised dates and/or times will be notified by announcement through a Regulatory Information Service.

## General

Defined terms used but not defined in this announcement have the meaning given to them in the Scheme Document, a copy of which is available on Amerisur's website at <https://www.amerisurresources.com/investor-centre>.

This announcement has been released with the consent of GeoPark.

All references in this announcement to times are to times in London (unless otherwise stated).

This announcement does not contain inside information.

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