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Profitable Quarter for Anvil

Anvil Mining Limited (TSX, ASX: AVM) is pleased to report its financial and operational results for the second quarter and the six months ended June 30, 2005.

Highlights

Second quarter:

- Copper production of 3,395 tonnes (7.5 million pounds) and silver production of 301,967 ounces with an ex-mine gate operating cash cost, after silver credit of \$ 0.37 per pound.
- Ore at bottom of pit re-accessed in April 2005 and production volumes return to budget levels following commissioning of the second ball mill in June 2005.
- Revenues from copper-silver concentrate sales: \$ 10.5 million.
- Net earnings of \$0.2 million (\$0.01 per share).
- Cash flow from operations was \$ 2.7 million.

Six months:

- Copper production of 5,954 tonnes (13.1 million pounds) and silver production of 547,011 ounces with an ex-mine gate operating cash cost, after silver credit of \$ 0.49 per pound.
- Major hurdles with waste back log movement overcome in the open pit as transition from contractor mining to owner mining completed, ore at bottom of pit re-accessed, second ball mill commissioned and copper production in June 2005 achieves 1,478 tonnes of contained copper in concentrates.
- Revenues from copper-silver concentrate sales: \$ 18.2 million.
- Loss of \$ 1.5 million (\$0.05 per share).
- Cash outflow from operations were \$ 0.9 million.

The unaudited interim financial statements and the management's discussion, analysis and financial review are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Additional information relating to the Company, including the Company's most recent Annual Information Form (AIF) is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Financial and operational highlights

	Second Quarter		Six months ended June 30	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Revenues: (\$ millions)				
Copper-silver concentrate sales	10.5	8.2	18.2	15.5
Payable pounds of copper in concentrate delivered (lbs millions)	6.8	7.1	12.4	13.8
Payable ounces of silver in concentrate delivered (ozs)	262,111	287,780	492,279	514,777
Operating profit (loss) – before amortization: (\$ millions)				
	3.8	3.3	5.0	7.0
Amortization (\$ millions)	1.3	0.7	2.7	1.2
Net earnings (loss): (\$ millions)	0.2	1.5	(1.5)	3.1
Production statistics:				
Ore processed (tonnes)	81,518	70,053	162,330	128,727
Copper grade (%)	4.87	6.42	4.37	7.07
Contained Copper (tonnes)	3,971	4,500	7,090	9,103
Recovery (%)	85.5	71.0	84.0	72.0
Copper produced (tonnes)	3,395	3,189	5,954	6,554
Silver produced (ounces)	301,967	301,315	547,011	557,268
Ore mined (tonnes)	72,214	77,677	164,076	122,331
Waste mined (tonnes)	1,751,590	642,018	3,073,309	1,321,984
Costs of production: (\$)				
Operating cash costs per pound (ex mine gate after silver credit)	0.37	0.28	0.49	0.23
Total cash costs (after silver credit)	0.79	0.55	0.93	0.50

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Additional Notes:

Information of a scientific or technical nature in this management discussion and analysis and financial review has been prepared under the supervision of Bill Turner, President and Chief Executive Officer of Anvil Mining Limited, a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy who has more than five years experience in the field of the activity reported herein and is a qualified person under National Instrument 43-101.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures: The terms “operating cash cost (ex-mine gate)” and “total cash cost” of production are used on a per pound of payable copper produced basis and after by-product silver credits are applied. The operating cash cost (ex-mine gate) per payable pound of copper produced is equivalent to the costs of mining and processing operations incurred (after net credits for silver revenues) for the period divided by the number of payable pounds of copper produced during the period. The total cash cost of production per payable pound of copper produced is equivalent to the ex-mine gate cash cost including transport and smelting and refining and realization costs (after net credits for silver revenues) for the period divided by the number of payable pounds of copper produced during the period. Cash operating cost information is included to provide information about the cost structure of the mining and processing operations. The term “operating profit” represents the net attributable revenues after deducting mine operating costs and amortization. The mine operating costs exclude exploration expense, foreign exchange gains and losses and interest and financing fees. This information differs from measures of performance determined in accordance with GAAP in Canada and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. These measures are not necessarily indicative of operating profit or cash flow from operations as determined under GAAP and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

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