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# AVINO REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2014 FINANCIAL RESULTS OF \$1,344,316; \$0.05 PER SHARE AND CASH FLOW FROM OPERATIONS OF \$1,631,349; \$0.05 PER SHARE

Avino Silver and Gold Mines Ltd. (ASM: TSX.V, ASM: NYSE - MKT; "Avino" or "the Company") is pleased to report its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2014. All financial information is prepared in accordance with IFRS and all dollar amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars unless otherwise specified. The information in this news release should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013 and associated management discussion and analysis ("MD&A") which are available on the Company's website at www.avino.com and under the Company's profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

"Avino is pleased to report another strong quarter of financial results. Our financial results are solid despite declining metal prices and the effect of new income tax reforms in Mexico introduced earlier this year," stated Malcolm Davidson, CFO. "Our team has reduced costs and negotiated favorable terms for the sale of our concentrate which has helped significantly to earn an after tax profit of \$1,344,316 or \$0.05 per share.

## Highlights of First Quarter 2014 (Compared to First Quarter 2013)

## Financial

- Revenues reported for the quarter were \$5,774,127 compared to \$3,490,004 in 2013, an increase of 65%
- Income from mine operations was \$2,840,002, an increase of \$1,799,155 or 173%
- General and administrative expenses were \$1,317,534 compared to \$1,151,907 in Q1 2013
- Earnings before income taxes was \$2,236,701 compared to \$87,978 in Q1 2013
- Earnings for the quarter were \$1,344,316 an increase of \$1,256,338 from Q1 2013
- Earnings per share basic \$0.05 and diluted \$0.04
- Average realized prices per ounce of silver and gold were \$20.15 and \$1,299 respectively
- Cash cost per AgEq ounce was \$8.62 compared to \$14.77 in Q1 2013
- Consolidated all-in sustaining cash cost per AgEq ounce was \$12.85 compared to \$20.60 in Q1 2013

#### Operational

- Silver production increased 46% to 232,401 oz\*
- Gold production increased 122% to 1,274 oz\*
- Silver equivalent production increased 60% to 312,000 oz\*\*
- Concentrate inventory available for sale at quarter-end was 118.053 dry metric tonnes

\* Production in both periods includes output from the San Gonzalo Mine (Circuit 1); there was no output from the Avino Mine stockpiles (Circuit 2) during Q1 2013 as the circuit was not operational.

"I am proud to report that 2014 is shaping up to be a year of impressive growth for Avino. With a solid first quarter that featured record production and significant cost reduction now in the books, we are excited to see this trend continue and gain momentum as we work towards completing our expansion."

- David Wolfin, President, CEO & Director, Avino Silver & Gold Mines Ltd

#### **Conference Call**

Avino will be holding a conference call on Thursday, May 29, 2014 at 9 am PST (12 pm EST).

To participate in the conference call, please dial the following:

Toll Free Canada & USA: 1-800-319-4610 Outside of Canada & USA: 1-604-638-5340

No pass-code is necessary to participate in the conference call; participants will have the opportunity to ask questions during the Q&A portion of the call. Alternatively, participants can send questions via email to ir@avino.com on April 28th, following the release of the financial results

Participants should dial in 10 minutes prior to the conference.

The conference call will be recorded and the replay will be available on the Company's website within one hour following the conclusion of the call.

### Outlook

Avino's mission is to create shareholder value through profitable organic growth at the Avino Property. We are committed to managing all business activities in an environmentally responsible and cost-effective manner while contributing to the well-being of the community in which we operate.

Management remains focused on the following key objectives:

- 1. Maintain profitable mining operations at San Gonzalo while managing operating costs and improving efficiencies;
- 2. Advance the Avino Mine for mineral production, expand mill output from 500 to 1,500 TPD;
- 3. Implement plans to process the oxide tailings resource from previous milling operations (PEA issued in 2012);
- 4. Continue to explore regional targets on the Property followed by other properties in our portfolio using new 3D modelling software.

#### Avino

Avino is a silver and gold producer operating the Avino property located in Durango, Mexico. The Company's mission is to become the next mid-tier silver producer through profitable organic growth at the Avino property. We are committed to managing all business activities in an environmentally responsible and cost-effective manner while contributing to the well-being of the community in which we operate.

#### **ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD**

"David Wolfin"

David Wolfin President & CEO Avino Silver & Gold Mines Ltd.

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