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## AVINO EXPANSION & OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Avino Silver & Gold Mines Ltd. (ASM: NYSE – MKT, ASM: TSX.V; “Avino” or “the Company”) is pleased to announce the following expansion update from its Avino mine and operational update from its San Gonzalo Mine, both of which are located on Avino property, 80km northeast of Durango, Mexico.

Having just returned from a 3 day trip to the mine, I am very impressed with the progress. I’m looking forward to completing our current expansion in short order.

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

To view recent photos documenting the expansion, please click [here](#).

### **Avino Mine Expansion**

#### **Dewatering (100% Complete)**

The Avino Mine is now completely dewatered down to level 12, mining operations will resume with the continuation of the ramp to level 12.5 where mining ceased in 2001 once power and air are available. The new jumbo and scoop are on-site and ready for operation and the new 1mW generator and fuel tank to supply underground power has been installed; testing of the generator will start once service piping and electrical wiring have been completed. The new air compressor is also on site and ready to be hooked up.

#### **Main Haulage Ramp Rehabilitation (100% Complete)**

The ramp in general is in very good condition as the host rock is solid; areas where sloughing has occurred are being stabilized with steel and timber sets and sprayed with shotcrete. Slashing of the sharp corners has been carried out to accommodate larger haulage vehicles.

Due to rain and inflow of water with overburden from the open pit, the haulage ramp has been used to haul out this added waste material to the surface. In addition, mineralized material from level 11.5 has also been hauled to the surface. Currently, there is an estimated 2,960 tonnes of mineralized material on stockpile available for processing in circuit #2; this material represents the first mill feed taken from underground at the Avino Mine since its closure in 2001. Circuit 2, which is currently processing above ground stockpiles, will transition to processing higher grade underground material from the Avino mine on a full time basis starting in September. The new flotation concentrate will be used to negotiate with trading firms in anticipation of circuit #3 coming online.

Initial mining for mill feed will be from levels 11.5 and 12 with start date of late August/early September. Development of the ramp to lower levels (down to level 17) will continue separately with an additional mining crew.

### **Processing Plant Expansion**

- Scalping screen has been installed and is now operating
- Product screen is scheduled for installation later this month and preparatory work is now being done to minimize crushing plant downtime
- A large quantity of crushed mill feed has been stockpiled to ensure both mill circuits operate during the scheduled crusher downtime period
- Mill liners for the large ball mill have arrived and are ready to install
- Purchase order for first fill of grinding balls has been issued
- Mill electrical starter to be wired in later this month
- Mill clutch to be installed in September
- Thickener mechanism with bridge has been installed in tank; installation of the rakes and tank launder modification work are currently underway.
- Foundations for the filter press have been poured; the filter has arrived in Manzanillo and is awaiting customs clearance.
- Circuit #3 should be ready for commissioning in the 4th Quarter as scheduled.

### **Surface and Infrastructure**

There has been a delay with the permit for the construction of the power line due to changes in personnel in the Ministry's office following a recent election. The new schedule calls for completion of the power line sometime in February 2015. Caterpillar has been approached to supply a 1.5 to 2 mW generator for circuit #3 in the interim.

GeoQuality has completed the new tailings storage facility study and the draft report has been issued for comment. Once complete, the report will be submitted in support of our permit application and the design will be used for the basis of the construction cost estimate to build the new tailings facility.

### **San Gonzalo Mine**

At the San Gonzalo mine, exploration drifting on the vein on level 4 to the Southeast has been halted pending the completion of the raise from the 5th level to provide better ventilation. The drift has advanced a total of 121 metres from the cross-cut to the ramp. This is a new zone that was not included in the Tetra Tech resource estimate and was reported in our news release of June 5<sup>th</sup> 2014. This new zone on level 5 has advanced a distance of 182 metres from the cross-cut where the vein has split. The splay is just as wide as the main vein of 2.5 metres. Drifting and sampling of this new zone on level 6 will commence once the by-pass access ramp to the vein has been completed.

Development on the vein on level 6 to the Northwest has advanced a total of 113 metres from the main cross cut. Material from this development work and from stope 5-080 are the main sources of mill feed at the present time.

The main haulage ramp has now advanced past the elevation of level 7 of 2043 metres. Construction of a sump to contain the water inflows is now underway together with the cross cutting.

To view a cross section map documenting San Gonzalo development, please click [here](#):

### **2014 Drill Program**

Further to the news release dated June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Avino has now completed 1277.75 metres of drilling out of a planned 4,000 metres both above and below surface around the San Gonzalo Mine.

### **About Avino**

Founded in 1968, Avino's mission is to create shareholder value through profitable organic growth at the historic Avino property near Durango, Mexico, and the strategic acquisition of mineral exploration and mining properties. We are committed to managing all business activities in an environmentally responsible and cost-effective manner, while contributing to the well-being of the communities in which we operate.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

***“David Wolfin”***

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