Pretium Resources Inc.: Valley of the Kings Exploration Program Underway; Project Update

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - Jun 4, 2014) - <u>Pretium Resources Inc.</u> (TSX:PVG)(NYSE:PVG) ("Pretivm") is pleased to announce the initial results from surface drilling in the Valley of the Kings and provide updates for the Brucejack Project.

Exploration

A surface drilling program comprising three deep geological holes collared near the Brucejack camp and drilled to the south is now underway to test gold mineralization at depth in the Valley of the Kings. The results from hole SU-627 (1,158 meters) confirm that the gold mineralization extends below the block model for the December 2013 Valley of the Kings Mineral Resource estimate, and demonstrate the significant untested exploration potential at the Valley of the Kings. Assay results from SU-627 are in Table 1 below.

The high-grade gold intersections encountered between 500 meters and 600 meters down hole in SU-627 are interpreted to be the down dip extension of the northern part of the Valley of the Kings. The mineralization encountered at depth from 900 meters to 1,121 meters down hole is over 500 meters below the deepest intersections used in the December 2013 Valley of the Kings Mineral Resource estimate.

Drilling in hole SU-628 (750 meters) has been completed, and drilling in hole SU-629 (900 meters planned) has just begun. For a section view of the surface drill program shown in relation to the 2013 Valley of the Kings Mineral Resource estimate please see the following link: http://media3.marketwire.com/docs/950066-F1.pdf.

Assay results from drilling will continue to be reported as they are received.

Underground drilling in the Valley of the Kings from the 1345-level access ramp planned to target a deep zone of Indicated mineral resources is scheduled to commence in July following completion of infrastructure upgrades at site.

Hole No.	Dip/ Azimuth		From (meters)	To (meters)	Interval (meters)	Gold (g/t)	Silver (g/t)
SU-627 	-65/180		513.00	523.93	10.93	43.57	29.22
		incl	522.22	523.93	1.71	270.42	92.63
		or	522.22	522.72	0.50	531.00	200.00
		or	522.72	523.22	0.50	156.00	65.10
		or	523.22	523.93	0.71	167.50	36.40
			585.85	586.35	0.50	26.00	37.70
			712.12	712.62	0.50	5.54	881.00
			944.50	946.00	1.50	5.97	2.00
			1,006.00	1,007.50	1.50	6.22	2.10
			1,066.00	1,069.00	3.00	3.01	3.05
			1,120.00	1,121.50	1.50	5.21	2.30

Table 1: Selected Valley of the Kings Drill Results, June 2014 (SU-627)^(1,2,3)

⁽¹⁾ True thickness to be determined.

⁽²⁾ Unless otherwise indicated as uncut, all gold assays over 540 g/t were cut to 540 g/t.

Permitting

We remain on track finalizing our Environmental Assessment Certificate application and expect to file it with the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office ("BCEAO") by the end of June. Once filed, the application will be evaluated for completeness over a 30-day period by BCEAO with the involvement of a working group including representatives of First Nations and local governments and other government agencies. Once the application has been accepted, the BCEAO has a maximum of 180 days to complete its review and prepare an assessment report for a decision by the Minister of Environment and the Minister of Energy and Mines.

In coordination with the British Columbia provincial permitting process, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency will review the Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS"), which we expect to submit this July. Provincial and federal approval of the EAC application and EIS, respectively, allow for the issuance of the statutory permits and authorizations to begin construction of a mine at Brucejack.

Amended Feasibility Study

The amended Brucejack Project feasibility study for a 2,700 tonnes-per-day underground mine is on track for completion in June. The June 2013 Feasibility Study for the Brucejack Project is being amended based on the Valley of the Kings December 2013 Mineral Resource estimate using base case metal prices of \$1,100 per ounce gold and \$17 per ounce silver and a Canadian:US Dollar exchange rate of 0.92.

Kenneth C. McNaughton, M.A.Sc., P.Eng., Chief Exploration Officer, <u>Pretium Resources Inc.</u> is the Qualified Person (QP) responsible for the Brucejack Project exploration program. Ian I Chang, M.A.Sc., P.Eng., Vice President, Project Development, <u>Pretium Resources Inc.</u> is the Qualified Person (QP) responsible for Brucejack Project development.

About Pretivm

Pretivm is creating value through gold at its high-grade gold Brucejack Project, located in northern British Columbia. Permitting of a high-grade underground gold mine at Brucejack is underway, with commercial production targeted to commence in 2016.

Forward-Looking Statements

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⁽³⁾ All samples were submitted for preparation and analysis by ALS Chemex at its facilities in Terrace, B.C. All samples were analyzed using multi-digestion with ICP finish and fire assay with AA finish for gold. Samples over 100 ppm silver were reanalyzed using four acid digestion with an ore grade AA finish. Samples over 1,500 ppm silver were fire assayed with a gravimetric finish. Samples with over 10 ppm gold were fire assayed with a gravimetric finish. One in 20 samples was blank, one in 20 was a standard sample, and differing one in 20 samples was a field duplicate half split core assayed at ALS Chemex in Vancouver, B.C.

statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking information.

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