Tonogold Resources, Inc. Confirms Appointment of New CEO

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LA JOLLA, Calif., June 6, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Tonogold Resources, Inc.</u> (OTC:TNGL) is pleased to announce that the formal appointment of Mark Ashley as CEO of the company, as contemplated in our announcement of April 3rd, 2013 has today been confirmed. This follows the completion of a capital raising which has generated \$706,500 from the issue of 78.5 million new shares to a number of strategic sophisticated and accredited shareholders in Australia and the US.

The new shares were issued at a small discount to the last trading price prior to the announcement on April 3rd. These shares will have a 12 months trading restriction, which highlights the long-term investment strategy of these new investors.

The company is pleased to welcome these new cornerstone investors to the company and to Mr. Ashley as its new CEO.

Mr. Ashley said that he was excited about the potential that the Company's significant land holding in Tonopah, Nevada holds – a region that boasts historic production of over 1.8 million ounces of gold and some 178 million ounces of silver.

Mr. Ashley added that Tonogold intends, in addition to advancing the potential of its current patents, to focus on developing corporate opportunities in the region and throughout Nevada in a bid to becoming a substantial profitable gold producer.

Mr. Ashley has over 30 years as a senior executive with a number of successful mining and exploration companies, having spent the last 20 years in Australia. Mr. Ashley stated the significant appreciation of the Australian dollar over the past four years from a low of 64 cents to the US\$ in 2009 to its current parity, has had a significant negative impact of the profitability of Australian gold producers.

Mr. Ashley moved to the US a year ago, as he believed that the US mining industry offered significant opportunities for consolidation and operational development in the mining industry. Mr. Ashley stated that he believed that the Tonogold capital raising has helped initiate interest from Australian resource investors in recognizing the US resource sector as offering potentially superior investment returns in a resource rich and politically safe environment.

Tonogold believes that with Mr. Ashley's significant experience and expertise in building significant resource groups mainly in Australia and the recognition and support from the international investment community, the Company is well positioned to take advantage of the numerous opportunities that are likely to arise from the predicted shake up and realignment of the global resource sector.

The capital raising was led by Australian based Pareto Capital as announced by the Company on May 2nd, 2013. Pareto Capital stated that they are very pleased to be working with Tonogold following the successful completion of the recent capital raising. We strongly support the strategy of newly appointed CEO, Mark Ashley and look forward to participating in this new, exciting chapter in the Company's activities.

The 3.3 million 8-cent warrants to be issued to Mr. Ashley as provided in our April 3rd announcement and 3 million 1-cent warrants to be issued to Pareto Capital (as part of their fee for managing the capital raising) are both subject to receiving shareholder approval for an increase in the authorized capital of the company. In this regard, the Company expects to announce the date of its Annual Shareholders meeting in the next few weeks.

The funds raised from the capital raising will enable the settlement of the outstanding creditors and to provide working capital over the coming year to allow the assembling the significant geological and technical data the company owns with the objective of bringing a new industry partner to fund the advancement of the Company's gold and silver projects at Tonopah, Nevada. A summary of the uses of funds is provided in the table below.

USES OF FUNDS

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Cost of the offer	\$ 45,000
Consultancy Fees (Tonopah Divide Technical Report)	\$ 84,400
Land Costs	\$ 64,000
Corporate and general administration	\$ 272,863
50% unpaid directors salaries (see note 1 below)	66,947
50% accrued interest (see note 2 below)	\$ 21,934
Other	\$ 27,070
Outstanding creditors	\$ 124,287
TOTAL	\$ 706,500

The capital structure following the capital raising, and the matters as described above is summarized in the table below.

Number of Shares
107,853,126
3,719,264
1,218,556
78,500,000
191,290,946
1,600,000
6,700,000
199,590,946
1
3,000,000
3,300,000
205,890,946

Note 1. The current directors have agreed that 25% of their unpaid salary as at December 31st 2102 which amounted to \$165,000 (before tax) will be settled by the issue of 3.7 million new shares with 25% to be paid in 12 months time. The remaining 50% will be paid from the funds generated from the capital raising.

Note 2. It has been agreed that 50% of accrued interest liability of \$21,934 as at December 31st, 2012 will be settled by the issue of shares.

<u>Tonogold Resources, Inc.</u> is a minerals exploration company based in La Jolla, California. For more information on the Company visit their website <u>www.tonogold.com</u>.

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