

# U.S. Silver & Gold re-opens #3 Shaft at Galena Mine Complex

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TORONTO, Dec. 18, 2013 /CNW/ - [U.S. Silver & Gold Inc.](#) (TSX: USA) (OTCQX: USGIF) has come to an agreement with the Mine Safety and Health Administration ("MSHA") to modify a previously issued order, and will re-open its Galena Mine Shaft #3 which is used for hoisting ore. The Mine will begin to recall employees who were impacted by the closure tomorrow (December 19, 2013).

The original MSHA order was given during a routine inspection and involved repairs on the #3 Shaft below the 4600 level and above the 5200 level. The shaft was shut down pending an agreed plan to resolve pre-existing citations which were unrelated to employee injury and did not allege imminent danger in the mine. The affected employees were temporarily sent home while the Company worked on a resolution with MSHA.

"Galena Mine Shaft #3 will be up and running for production hoisting immediately and we are looking forward to getting affected employees back to work quickly," said Darren Blasutti, President and CEO of U.S. Silver & Gold. "I would like to thank MSHA for working with us to resolve the issues in an expedited manner."

The Company does not expect there to be any impact on production guidance for 2013 and remains on track to deliver 2.1 - 2.2 million ounces for the year.

## About U.S. Silver & Gold

U.S. Silver & Gold is a silver and gold mining company focused on growth from its existing asset base and execution of targeted accretive acquisitions. It owns and operates the Galena Mine Complex in the heart of the Silver Valley/Coeur d'Alene Mining District, Shoshone County, Idaho which produces high-grade silver ore and is the second most prolific silver mine in U.S. history, delivering over 200 million ounces to date. The Caladay Zone is being evaluated for bulk mining development. U.S. Silver & Gold also owns the Drumlummon Mine Complex in Lewis and Clark County, Montana.

For further information please see SEDAR or [www.us-silver.com](http://www.us-silver.com).

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