Allied Nevada Reports Second Quarter 2014 Financial Results

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RENO, NEVADA--(Marketwired - Aug 4, 2014) - <u>Allied Nevada Gold Corp.</u> ("Allied Nevada", "us", "we", "our" or the "Company") (TSX:ANV)(NYSE MKT:ANV) provides financial and operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014.

Second Quarter Highlights:

- As previously released, we achieved our second quarter 2014 production expectations with gold production of 56,864 ounces and silver production of 481,151 ounces, increases of 45% and 262%, respectively, compared with the second quarter of 2013.
- Gold sales of 57,050 ounces and silver sales of 474,832 ounces in the second quarter of 2014 representing a 37% and 225% increase over the same 2013 period sales, respectively.
- We maintain our original 2014 projections for full year production and sales of 230,000 to 250,000 ounces of gold and 1.7 to 2.0 million ounces of silver.
- Adjusted cash costs per ounce(1) of \$806 in the second quarter of 2014 was as expected and below our annual guidance range. Adjusted cash costs per ounce¹ are expected to increase to between \$825 and \$850 for the second half primarily due to a higher anticipated strip ratio as we remove waste to open new areas of ore for 2015.
- Net income during the second quarter of 2014 was \$4.4 million, or \$0.04 per share, which is similar to net income of \$4.2 million, or \$0.04 per share, in the second quarter of 2013.
- Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2014 were \$13.6 million, excluding the \$10 million in restricted cash held by our banks under our revolving credit agreement.
- In April, we completed the sale of a 75% controlling interest in the Hasbrouck and Three Hills properties to West Kirkland Mining for \$20.0 million (including the US\$0.5 million non-refundable deposit received in the first quarter of 2014) pursuant to the Letter Agreement signed by the companies in January 2014.
- In May, we executed the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Revolver") with the Bank of Nova Scotia and Wells Fargo Bank, which increased the available capacity of the Revolver from \$40 million to \$75 million. As of June 30, 2014, the full \$75 million was available under the Revolver, which was reduced by \$9.0 million for financial letters of credit issued collateralizing a cross currency swap, resulting in remaining availability of \$66 million.
- In May, we completed the Hycroft mill expansion prefeasibility study and filed a National Instrument 43-101 Technical Report in Canada with those results. The prefeasibility study estimated an internal rate of return(2) of 26.5% and a net present value² of \$1.7 billion and included a flow sheet that allowed us to create doré on site.

Hycroft Operations Update

We remained committed to our core values, health and safety, and operated in a safety-conscious and environmentally responsible manner with no lost-time incidents during the second quarter of 2014. We continued to implement programs designed to increase our employees' knowledge and awareness of mine-site health, safety and environmental responsibility.

Key operating statistics for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, compared with the same periods in 2013, are as follows:

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	Thre	ee months e	ende	ed June 30,	Six	months er	ndec	June 30,
		2014		2013		2014		2013
Ore mined (000's tons)		10,528		9,798		21,312		19,384
Ore mined and crushed (000's tons)		383		-		383		-
Ore mined and stockpiled (000's tons)		156		155		2,318		804
Waste mined (000's tons)		14,471		7,605		26,523		14,924
		25,538	_	17,558	_	50,536		35,112
Excavation mined (000's tons)		-	_	161	_	-	_	3,288
Ore mined grade - gold (oz/ton)		0.010		0.010		0.010		0.011
Ore mined grade - silver (oz/ton)		0.418		0.232		0.361		0.188
Ounces produced - gold		56,864		39,195		116,978		77,214
Ounces produced - silver		481,151		132,841		893,657		320,841
Ounces sold - gold		57,050		41,512		116,520		68,768
Ounces sold - silver		474,832		146,303		881,066		321,069
Average realized price - gold (\$/oz)	\$	1,292	\$	1,348	\$	1,295	\$	1,453
Average realized price - silver (\$/oz)	\$	20	\$	21	\$	20	\$	26
Adjusted cash costs per ounce1	\$	806	\$	775	\$	807	\$	709

Gold production and sales were 51% and 69% higher in the first half of 2014 when compared with the same period in 2013. The 57,050 gold ounces sold during the second quarter of 2014 represented the fourth consecutive quarter we have met, or exceeded, our gold ounces sold targets as Hycroft continues to operate at its steady-state heap leach capacity. During the first six months of 2014, the number of silver ounces sold more than doubled from the same period of 2013 as a result of increased silver ore grades and decreased use of our carbon columns to process solution. During the first six months of 2014, approximately 85% of our gold ounces sold was from solution processed through our Merrill-Crowe plants which yield higher silver concentrations and recoveries than solution processed through our carbon columns, resulting in a silver to gold ounces sold ratio of 7.6:1.0, compared to 4.7:1.0 for the same period of 2013.

During the second quarter and first six months of 2014, our total tons mined slightly exceeded our planned tons and we crushed our first production ore tons. In mid-June, the temporary repairs were completed to the crushing system and it was placed back in operation at a capacity sufficient to support our heap leach operations. During the second half of 2014, we plan to selectively crush high-grade ore with the crushing system to improve metal recoveries.

Our adjusted cash costs per ounce¹ during the second quarter and first six months of 2014 were as expected, and below our annual guidance range, significantly benefiting from our increased silver to gold ounces sold ratio (discussed above). During the second quarter and first six months of 2014, we sold on average an additional 4.8 and 2.9 ounces of silver per gold ounce, respectively, which resulted in additional silver credits of \$96 and \$58, respectively, per gold ounce sold compared to the same periods of 2013. The increase in silver ounces sold helped to offset lower average realized silver prices.

Outlook

We continue to expect our 2014 full year metal sales will approximate 230,000 to 250,000 ounces of gold and 1.7 million to 2.0 million ounces of silver. Average adjusted cash costs per ounce(4) for first six months of 2014 were \$807, and we expect an increase to within the guidance range of \$825 to \$850 per ounce for the second half of 2014, primarily due to increased stripping expected in the second half of the year to allow access to more ore in 2015.

Conference Call Information

Allied Nevada will host a conference call to discuss these results on Tuesday, August 5, 2014, at 8:00 am PT (11:00 am ET), which will be followed by a question and answer session. To listen in to the audio webcast, visit www.alliednevada.com.

To access the call, please dial:

Toll‐free in North America - 1‐866-233-4585

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Outside of Canada & US - 1‐416-640-5946

An audio recording of the call will be archived on our website following the meeting.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Information

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), Section 21E of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") (and the equivalent under Canadian securities laws) and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act (the "PSLRA") or in releases made by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), all as may be amended from time to time. This cautionary statement is being made pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the PSLRA with the intention of obtaining the benefit of the "safe harbor" provisions of such laws.

All statements, other than statements of historical fact, included herein or incorporated by reference, that address activities, events or developments that we expect or anticipate will or may occur in the future, are forward-looking statements. Generally, these forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "estimate", "plan", "anticipate", "expect", "intend", "believe", "project", "target", "budget", "may", "can", "will", "would", "could", "should", "seeks", or "scheduled to", or other similar words, or negatives of these terms or other variations of these terms or comparable language or any discussion of strategy or intentions. Such forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements regarding our future business strategy, plans and goals; risks relating to fluctuations in the price of gold and silver; uncertainties concerning restarting the crushing system; uncertainties concerning reserve, resource and grade estimates; the availability and timing of capital for financing the Company's exploration, development and expansion activities; anticipated costs, anticipated production, anticipated sales, anticipated capital expenditures, project economics, net present values and expected rates of return; the realization of expansion and construction activities and the timing thereof; production estimates and other statements that are not historical facts. Forward-looking statements address activities, events or developments that Allied Nevada expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, and are based on current expectations and assumptions.

These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors which may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include, among others, risks relating to fluctuations in the price of gold and silver; uncertainties concerning restarting the crushing system; uncertainties concerning reserve, resource and grade estimates; the availability and timing of capital for financing the Company's exploration, development and expansion activities; anticipated costs, anticipated production, anticipated sales, anticipated capital expenditures, project economics, net present values and expected rates of return; the realization of expansion and construction activities and the timing thereof; production estimates; as well as those factors discussed in Allied Nevada's filings with the SEC including Allied Nevada's latest Annual Report on Form 10-K and its other SEC filings (and Canadian filings) including, without limitation, its latest Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (which may be secured from us, either directly or from our website at www.alliednevada.com or at the SEC website www.sec.gov). Although Allied Nevada has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results, performance or achievements not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results, performance and achievements and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company does not intend to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.

The technical contents of this news release have been prepared under the supervision of Daniel Roth, Project Manager at M3 Engineering and Technology, and Tony Peterson, Corporate Mine Engineer at Allied Nevada Gold Corp., a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Colorado #43867 who are Qualified Persons as defined by National Instrument 43-101. For further information regarding the quality assurance program and the quality control measures applied, as well as other relevant technical information, please see

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the Hycroft Technical Report dated May 21, 2014, which is filed www.sedar.com and available on our website.

Non-GAAP Financial Measure

Adjusted Cash Costs Per Ounce

Adjusted cash costs per ounce is a non-GAAP financial measure, calculated on a per ounce of gold sold basis, and includes all direct and indirect operating cash costs related to the physical activities of producing gold, including mining, processing, cash portions of production costs written-down, the effective portion of any cash flow hedges, third party refining expenses, on-site administrative and support costs, royalties, and mining production taxes, net of revenue earned from silver sales. Because we are a primary gold producer and our operations focus on maximizing profits and cash flows from the extraction and sale of gold, we believe that silver revenue is peripheral and not material to our key performance measures or our Hycroft Mine operating segment and, as such, adjusted cash costs per ounce is reduced by the benefit received from silver sales.

Adjusted cash costs per ounce provides management and investors with a further measure, in addition to conventional measures prepared in accordance with GAAP, to assess the performance of our mining operations and ability to generate cash flows over multiple periods from the sale of gold. Non-GAAP financial measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by GAAP and, therefore, may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other mining companies. Accordingly, the above measures are intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

The table below presents a reconciliation between non-GAAP adjusted cash costs, which is the numerator used to calculate non-GAAP adjusted cash costs per ounce, to Production costs (GAAP) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014 and 2013 (in thousands, except ounces sold):

	Thre	e months e	nded	June 30,	Six	months end	ded .	June 30,
		2014		2013		2014		2013
Production costs (000s)	\$	55,367	\$	35,236	\$	111,725	\$	57,038
Less: Silver revenues (000s)		(9,410)		(3,052)		(17,702)		(8,270)
Adjusted cash costs (000s)	\$	49,957	\$	32,184	\$	94,023	\$	48,768
Gold ounces sold		57,050		41,512		116,520		68,768
Adjusted cash costs per ounce	\$	806	\$	775	\$	807	\$	709

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(US dollars in thousands)

	(L	Jnaudited)		
	June	e 30, 2014	Decem	nber 31, 2013
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	13,612	\$	81,470
Accounts receivable		3,079		8,227
Inventories		25,002		26,410
Ore on leachpads, current		226,416		206,504
Prepaids and other		6,847		10,857
Assets held for sale		46,576		47,357
Deferred tax assets, current		16,760		22,943
Current assets		338,292		403,768
Restricted cash		49,933		41,215
Stockpiles and ore on leachpads, non-current		131,600		116,192
Other assets, non-current		12,173		12,682
Plant, equipment, and mine development, net		880,706		890,271
Mineral properties, net		47,795		48,473

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Total assets	\$ 1,460,499	\$ 1,512,601
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 32,763	\$ 67,958
Interest payable	3,837	3,402
Other liabilities, current	8,374	8,512
Debt, current	73,674	76,226
Asset retirement obligation, current	 20	 20
Current liabilities	118,668	156,118
Other liabilities, non-current	27,889	22,735
Debt, non-current	495,987	522,427
Asset retirement obligation, non-current	15,889	15,344
Deferred tax liabilities, non-current	 16,453	 18,928
Total liabilities	 674,886	 735,552
Commitments and Contingencies		
Stockholders' Equity:		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value		
Shares authorized: 200,000,000		
Shares issued and outstanding: 104,332,086 and 104,043,169, respectively	104	104
Additional paid-in-capital	753,363	750,119
Accumulated other comprehensive income	2,286	1,674
Retained earnings	 29,860	 25,152
Total stockholders' equity	785,613	777,049
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,460,499	\$ 1,512,601

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Unaudited)

(US dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Thr	ee months e	ende	d June 30,	S	ix months en	ndec	d June 30,
		2014		2013	_	2014		2013
Revenue	\$	83,123	\$	58,998	\$	168,648	\$	108,188
Operating expenses:								
Production costs		55,367		35,236		111,725		57,038
Depreciation and amortization		17,634		5,741	_	31,265		9,587
Total cost of sales		73,001		40,977	_	142,990		66,625
Exploration, development, and land holding		665		1,203		1,394		2,190
Accretion		272		164		545		329
General and administrative		5,769		8,795		11,994		14,704
Gain on dispositions or sales of mineral properties, net		(19,480)		-		(19,480)		-
Loss on assets classified as held for sale and asset dispositions, net		4,801		-	_	5,979		<u> </u>
Income from operations		18,095		7,859	_	25,226		24,340
Other income (expense):								
Interest income		2		112		15		238
Interest expense		(11,329)		(3,193)		(17,116)		(8,322)
Other, net		(52)		(422)	_	(38)		(901)
Income before income taxes		6,716		4,356		8,087		15,355
Income tax expense		(2,340)		(126)	_	(3,379)		(2,307)
Net income		4,376		4,230	_	4,708		13,048
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax								
Change in fair value of effective portion of cash flow hedge instruments, net of tax		(1,254)		(539)		845		1,126
Settlements of cash flow hedges, net of tax		8,253		(8,872)		(1,345)		(13,996)
Reclassifications into earnings, net of tax		(8,366)		8,776	_	1,112		13,864
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax		(1,367)		(635)	_	612		994
Comprehensive income	\$	3,009	\$	3,595	\$	5,320	\$	14,042
Income per share:					_			
Basic	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	0.14
Diluted	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	0.14

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

(US dollars in thousands)

	Th	ree months	enc	ded June 30,	Sir	x months (end [,]	ed Ju
		2014		2013		2014		7
Cash flows from operating activities:								
Net income	\$	4,376	\$	4,230	\$	4,708	\$	13
Adjustments to reconcile net income for the period to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:	:							,
Depreciation and amortization		17,634		5,741		31,265		g
Accretion		272		164		545		7
Gain on dispositions or sales of mineral properties, net		(19,480)		-		(19,480)		7
Loss on assets classified as held for sale and asset dispositions, net		4,801		-		5,979		7
Stock-based compensation		1,634		2,797		3,244		4
Deferred taxes		2,340		952		3,379		7
Other non-cash items		-		485		-		7
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:								7
Accounts receivable		1,776		20,974		5,148		49
Materials and supplies inventories		1,957		2,484		2,859		(5
Production-related inventories		(9,017)		(35,605)		(25,080)		(76
Prepaids and other		2,424		4,198		5,320		4
Assets held for sale		807		-		4,407		,
Accounts payable		(6,334)		(15,141)		(5,446)		(12
Interest payable		(8,153)		(8,269)		435		` /
Asset retirement obligation		-		-		-		7
Other liabilities		(1,909)		(1,756)		(362)		,
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(6,872)		(18,746)		16,921	_	(12
Cash flows from investing activities:		(-,-					_	
Additions to plant, equipment, and mine development		(24,190)		(109,949)		(67,614)		(204
Additions to mineral properties		(2-1,		(31)		-		(
Proceeds from mineral properties		20,000		(31)		20,000		ľ
Increases in restricted cash		(10,000)		(354)		(8,718)		(9
Proceeds from other investing activities		5		13		5		``
Net cash used in investing activities		(14,185)		(110,321)		(56,327)		(213
Cash flows from financing activities:		(14,100 /		(110,021)		(50,521)	_	(215
· ·		(13,838)		(0.141.)		(27,592)		(15
Repayments of principal on capital lease and term loan obligations Payments of debt issuance costs		(13,838)		(9,141) (453)	,	(860)		(15 <i>(</i> 1
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		(000)		(453) 150,817		(000)		151
		-		(8,324)		-		151
Payments of share issuance costs		/1 / E1Q \				(20.452.)	· —·	<u> </u>
Net cash used in financing activities		(14,518)		132,899		(28,452)	· —	126
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(35,575)		3,832		(67,858)		(100
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	_ -	49,187		243,113		81,470	_	347
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	13,612	\$	246,945	\$_	13,612	\$	246
Supplemental cash flow disclosures:								
Cash paid for interest	\$	19,672	\$	18,970	\$	21,692	\$	20
Significant non-cash financing and investing activities:								ĺ
Mining equipment acquired through debt financing		-		42,196		-		104
Accounts payable reduction through capital lease		-		-		-		2

¹ The term "adjusted cash costs per ounce" is a non-GAAP financial measure. Non-GAAP financial measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by GAAP and, therefore, should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. See the section at the end of this press release and in the most recently filed Quarterly report on Form 10-Q titled "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for further information regarding this measure.

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² Net Present Value ("NPV") and Internal Rate of Return ("IRR") are calculated using \$1,300 per gold ounce and \$21.67 per silver ounce and additional assumptions set forth in the NI 43-101 Technical Report dated May 21, 2014 and filed with SEDAR and available on our website at www.alliednevada.com. No assurance or guarantee is provided that the calculated IRR or NPV values will be achieved. Actual results may differ materially.

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