Great Western Minerals Provides Update Regarding Convertible Bonds

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SASKATOON, SK -- (Marketwired - Apr 7, 2015) - Great Western Minerals Group Ltd. ("GWMG" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: GWG) (OTCQX: GWMGF) provides an update regarding its US$90 million 8.00 percent Secured Convertible Bonds due 2017 (the "Convertible Bonds") governed by the trust deed dated April 5, 2012 between the Company and the trustee, Wilmington Trust (London) Limited (as supplemented, the "Trust Deed").

The Company did not make the interest payment on the Convertible Bonds of approximately C$4.5 million (US$3.6 million) that was due today. Under the Trust Deed, the Company has fourteen calendar days to make the interest payment on the Convertible Bonds.

The previously disclosed discussions between the Company and a steering committee of holders (the "Steering Committee") of the Convertible Bonds regarding a potential restructuring of the Convertible Bonds have yet to result in the Company and the Steering Committee entering into a binding agreement. The Company continues to explore strategic alternatives to a consensual restructuring of the Convertible Bonds, which may include the initiation of a sale of, or investment solicitation process for, the Company's assets and business and/or the commencement of proceedings under applicable restructuring legislation. There is no assurance that the Company will be able to restructure the Convertible Bonds or find an alternative to such restructuring.

About GWMG

Great Western Minerals Group Ltd. is a manufacturer and supplier of rare earth element-based metal alloys. The Company routinely posts news and other information on its website at www.gwmg.ca.

Email inquiries can also be made to info@gwmg.ca.

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commodity prices and exchange rate changes; operational risks associated with exploration, development and production operations; delays or changes in plans, including those estimated in the Feasibility Study of the SKK Project; risks associated with the uncertainty of resource and reserve estimates; health and safety risks; uncertainty of estimates and projections of production, costs and expenses; risks that future SKK Project and region exploration results may not meet exploration or corporate objectives; political risks inherent in South Africa; risks associated with the relationship between GWMG and/or its subsidiaries and communities and governments in Canada and South Africa; radioactivity and related issues; dependence on one mineral project; loss of, and the inability to attract, key personnel; the factors discussed in the Company's public disclosure record; and other factors that could cause actions, events or results not to be as anticipated. In light of the risks and uncertainties associated with forward-looking statements, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon forward-looking information. Although GWMG believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements set out in this press release or incorporated herein by reference are reasonable, it can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to have been correct. GWMG does not assume any obligation to update forward looking statements as set out in this news release, except as required by law,. The forward-looking statements of GWMG contained in this News Release, or incorporated herein by reference, are expressly qualified, in their entirety, by this cautionary statement and the risk factors contained in GWMG's Annual Information Form available under the Company's profile at www.sedar.com.