

Battle Mountain Gold Inc. Announces Geophysical Results from the Lewis Project and Increases its Planned Drilling Program to more than 5,000 m

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Vancouver, July 27 2016 - [Battle Mountain Gold Inc.](#) (the "Company") (TSX-V: BMG) is pleased to announce recent exploration activities and plans for future work in the Lewis gold-silver property, which lies near the town of Battle Mountain in Nevada.

Highlights:

- -Processing and imaging completed for recently conducted helicopter-borne magnetic and radiometric survey and ground-based gravity survey over the Lewis claim group and surrounding areas.
- -High-grade, gold-silver drill targets localized by the intersection of steeply-dipping faults and fracture zones with reactive stratigraphic units at depth.
- -The planned diamond-core drill program is now expanded to include twelve holes for a total of more than 5000 m over the Virgin, Buena Vista and Meagher target zones, commencing in mid-August.
- -Diamond drill contractor selected and permitting process underway.
- -The multi-element, geochemical grid-sampling of soils in the southwestern part of the project area is planned, to better delineate the surface expression of gold-silver-bearing fault zones and potential drill targets at depth.
- -Revised corporate presentation and new geophysical report uploaded to Company web-site.

Further Information:

A helicopter-borne magnetic / radiometric survey and ground-based gravity survey were completed recently over the claim area. The data from these surveys have now been processed and integrated with geology and mineralization, as presented in this press-release (Figures 1 to 6) and included in a new geophysical report now posted on the corporate web-site. The Company has resumed re-logging of reverse circulation drill-chips previously collected by Madison Minerals Inc. from 2003 to 2008 in the Virgin zone and continues geological surface mapping in northeastern part of project area (Figure 1). The multi-element, geochemical soil-grid sampling of the southwestern portion of the claim area is planned to further delineate the surface expression of gold-bearing fault zones. Surface mapping and geochemical sampling, three-dimensional geological modeling, and imaging of TITAN - MT electrical results and recently acquired gravity, magnetic and radiometric data have established potentially high-grade gold-silver targets, set out in the accompanying Figures 3 to 6. The diamond drill program to test these targets will commence in mid-August.

At least eight mineralized zones were previously recognized in the Lewis property (Figure 1). The best understood gold-silver systems to date include the Virgin, Buena Vista, Meagher, White-Shiloh and Trinity structural zones, which are open along strike and at depth. Gold- and silver-bearing portions of these zones exceed 1,200 m for the Virgin; 1,300 m for Buena Vista; 650 m for Meagher; 900 m for White-Shiloh; and 1,700 m for Trinity 1. Recent geochemical sampling of these zones and new areas of mineralization indicate rock-chip results of up to 99.9 g/t Au, 5600 g/t Ag, 11.8% Pb and 6.2% Zn. The locations, descriptions and

assay results for the rock-chip data are included in previous press-releases and a spread-sheet on the Company's web-site under Investor Info/Presentations/Lewis Property Rock-chip Database.

A helicopter-borne magnetic and radiometric survey was flown over the project environs by Precision Geosurveys during June. The survey covered about 110 km² for a total of 1270 line-km, consisting of east-west oriented flight-lines spaced 100 m apart and north-south tie-lines spaced every 1000 m. The survey was flown at a nearly constant height of 25 meters above the ground. The magnetic results indicate zones of high magnetic intensity over known intrusions (Figure 2). In addition, these results delineate two major east-northeasterly-trending lineaments that coincide locally with the distribution of variably clay-pyrite-altered, Tertiary dikes and fracture zones. These dikes and fracture zones are associated with gold-silver mineralization in the southern part of the Lewis claim group and in the northern portion of the Fortitude deposit (Figures 2 and 4). One of the magnetic lineaments intersects, and changes trend across, the Buena Vista fault zone. This magnetic-structural intersection lies adjacent to the convergence zone of the Buena Vista, Meagher, Silver and Theodore fault zones, which our diamond drilling program will test (Figures 3 to 6). The processed images of the radiometric results show a good spatial coincidence between gold-silver bearing fault zones and radiometric gradients (e.g., Buena Vista and Theodore fault zones in Figure 5). This is consistent with the fault juxtaposition of host-rock units that contain varying abundances of radiometric potassium, thorium and uranium.

A ground-based gravity survey was completed over the 22.25 km² Lewis project area in late May by Magee Geophysical Services for a total of 289 stations. Processing and imaging of the results indicate that some of the major gold-silver-bearing fault zones coincide with gravity gradients (e.g., Buena Vista fault zone in Figures 2 and 6). This is due to the fault juxtaposition of rock units characterized by contrasting density (specific gravity). Many of the gradients expressed by the gravity results coincide with gradients observed in the magnetic- and radiometric-results and mapped faults. The spatial coincidence of geophysical gradients with known gold-silver-bearing fault zones will assist the Company in targeting large and potentially well-mineralized structure for future exploration and drilling.

The most compelling exploration targets delineated to date lie in the Virgin, Buena Vista and Meagher-Silver area. These targets will be tested by a twelve-hole diamond drill-program exceeding 5,000 meters and scheduled to start in mid-August (Figures 3 to 6). A drilling contractor has been selected and the permitting process is underway. These high-grade gold-silver targets are localized by the intersection of steeply-dipping faults and fracture zones with reactive stratigraphic units at depth. Many of the planned drill-holes will also test geophysical gradients and anomalies. Attractive targets also exist in the Galena, White-Shiloh and Trinity systems, which are intended for drill-testing in 2017. Any additional targets generated by the recently completed geophysical programs and future soil-grid work will be advanced to the drill-stage through surface mapping and geochemical sampling.

Plans are for the grid-soil sampling of portions of the southwestern part of the claim area (Figure 1), as described in a previous press-release (June 21st, 2016). The purpose of the survey is to further delineate the surface expression of gold-bearing fault zones using a multi-element geochemical approach. For example, previous drilling by Barrick Gold (1987) in this area indicates 16.7 m at 5.86 g/t Au and 0.2% Cu from 775.7 m in FWL-30 1, hosted by skarn in the Antler Limestone that lies beneath the Golconda Thrust (Figure 1). Previous work by the Company indicates that gold-silver-bearing target zones, contained within reactive host rocks beneath the Golconda Thrust, are typically expressed by multi-element anomalies in the Havallah / Pumpernickle Formation at surface. These surface anomalies are characterized by elevated arsenic, bismuth, low-level gold and silver, and other pathfinder elements. The grid soil-survey will cover portions of the 4 km² area of interest and commence soon.

The Lewis property consists of a 2,225 hectare (5,500 acre) land position directly north of Newmont's Fortitude open-pit mine. Metals production in calendar 2015 from the Fortitude-Phoenix operation includes 205,000 ounces of gold, 46 million pounds of copper and by-product silver, and at December 31, 2015 reported reserves were 5.1 million ounces of gold, 1750 million pounds of copper and by-product silver, as indicated on page 30 of Newmont's 2015 Annual Report². The Lewis property consists of seven patented and 360 unpatented mining claims. Historic mining of gold, silver and base metals occurred along several northerly-trending lodes in the claim group.

The Company commenced its recent exploration of the Lewis property in late June, 2014. The field-work completed to date consists of detailed geological surface mapping (1:2,000-scale), geochemical rock- and soil-sampling, and re-logging of diamond-core and RC-chips from drill-holes completed by Madison Minerals Inc. from 2003 to 2008. The emphasis during this work has been on the geometric controls to gold-silver-and

base metal-bearing fault and fracture systems. These target structures cut across several rock formations that have properties conducive to metals deposition, including the same formations that host ore in the Fortitude mine of Newmont, located directly to the south. The six figures referred to in this press-release are also posted on the Company website (www.battlemtngold.com), in addition to a new corporate presentation, dated July 25th, 2016, and a separate report that describes the results of the processing of the recently acquired geophysical data.

Chet Idziszek, President of [Battle Mountain Gold Inc.](#), comments:

"The recently completed geophysics correlates well with project geology and known high-grade gold mineralization, and outlines the potential for new drill targets, all of which are the focus of the Company's initial drill program scheduled for a mid-August start-up."

Qualified Person

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1 Descriptions of the mineralized zones and tables of drill-hole assay results can be found in a 43-101 report dated March 2014 titled AMENDED AND RESTATED SUMMARY REPORT 2007-2008 CORE AND REVERSE CIRCULATION DRILLING PROGRAM, F.W. LEWIS PROPERTY, BATTLE MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT, LANDER COUNTY, NEVADA, USA, (the "2014 43-101 Report") filed on SEDAR under the Company's profile and also on the Company's website under Investor Info/Articles, Agreements and Reports.

2 This information about Newmont's Fortitude mine is drawn from Newmont's publicly disclosed sources cited. Newmont's Fortitude mine is discussed in Section 15.1 of Battle Mountain's 2014 43-101 Report, which includes the statement, "The geologic information from the adjacent Phoenix [Fortitude] Mine deposits and the comparison with the adjoining Lewis property is in no way indicative that a mineral deposit of similar size or grade does occur or will be found on the Lewis property".

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