

VANCOUVER, Dec. 5, 2016 /CNW/ - [Marlin Gold Mining Ltd.](#) (TSX-V: MLN) ("Marlin" or the "Company") is pleased to provide an operating update from its wholly owned La Trinidad mine in Sinaloa, Mexico ("La Trinidad").

Since September 15th, when Marlin began consistently mining the high grade HS Zone, the Company has stacked 41,029 ounces of gold with 21,567 coming in November alone. The tonnes stacked in November had an average grade of approximately 5.26 grams per tonne. In addition, Marlin has built up an over 75,000-tonne stockpile of mineralized material at similar grades waiting to be crushed and stacked onto the leach pad.

The recoveries of gold from the leach pad have increased by approximately 33% since the end of last month, from 210 ounces per day to 279 ounces per day. Importantly, our current leach curves are confirming the SRK Consulting estimates of 75% with no apparent leach inefficiencies (please see the news release on November 2, 2016 for important technical disclosures about projected leach pad recoveries).

Gold shipments in November reached a new monthly record at 6,247 ounces and are expected to continue increasing as daily recoveries increase.

Total costs per ounce are expected to be below US\$400 for November (based on total costs of US\$2.25-2.5 million per month), and going forward, costs per ounce should track materially lower as gold shipments increase.

Since September 15th, Marlin has crushed or stockpiled one tonne of mineralized material for each 2.54 tonnes of waste mined. We expect this ratio to remain at this level or lower for the foreseeable future.

A drill contractor is now at site to follow up on the high-grade blast-hole assays from the negative two level bench and below in the north side pit wall. A 12-hole drill program will help quantify how much mineralization exists to the north, which will determine whether a north side layback is warranted.

The tables below highlight key statistics at the crusher and leach pad year to date.

	January	February (1)	March	April	May	June
Tonnes Crushed (2)	51,553	0	16,662	22,006	85,058	95,653
Average Crushed Grade (3)	0.63	0.00	0.53	0.51	0.77	0.67
Gold Stacked (4)	1,044	0	281	361	2,097	2,045
Daily Recovered Gold (5)	31	17	12	11	33	29

	July	August	September	October	November
Tonnes Crushed (2)	37,186	17,074	25,690	130,660	127,557
Average Crushed Grade (3)	0.75	0.82	1.80	4.30	5.26
Gold Stacked (4)	893	450	1,484	18,052	21,567
Daily Recovered Gold (5)	29	14	14	210	279

(1) Lack of activity due to mining contractor transition.

(2) Metric tonnes processed by three-stages of crushing and agglomeration. Adjusted for moisture content.

(3) Average grams per tonne gold sampled at the crusher.

(4) Troy ounces of gold stacked onto the leach pad.

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La Trinidad Operating Update December 2016 Conference Call and Webcast

The Company's senior management will host a conference call on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 10:00 AM (E.S.T.) to discuss the Company's operating results for the month of November.

Via Webcast:

A live audio webcast of the conference call will be available using the following link <http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/dca8ebw7> or on a link hosted on the Company's website at www.marlingold.com.

Via Telephone:

For those preferring to listen by telephone, please dial 1-213-358-0878 or toll-free 1-844-348-1683, access code 28956823. To ensure your participation, please call approximately ten minutes prior to the scheduled start of the call.

Replay Archive:

Please dial 1-404-537-3406 or toll-free 1-855-859-2056, access code 28956823. The conference call replay will expire on December 13, 2016.

The webcast, along with presentation slides, will be archived for 180 days on the Company's website.

About Marlin Gold

Marlin is a publicly-traded gold and silver mining company with properties located in Sinaloa, Mexico and Arizona, USA. Marlin's priority is to advance its properties toward commercial production and enhance shareholder value through the growth of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Sailfish Royalty Corp. The La Trinidad property in Sinaloa, Mexico, declared commercial production on November 1, 2014. A NI 43-101 mineral resource estimate and preliminary economic assessment for the La Trinidad mine and Commonwealth project can be found at www.sedar.com or at www.marlingold.com.

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