

Panoro Minerals Announces Filing of Antilla Copper Project Heap Leach & SX/EW Preliminary Economic Assessment Technical Report

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia, June 26, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Panoro Minerals Ltd. (TSXV:PML) (Lima:PML) (Frankfurt:PZM) ("Panoro", the "Company") is pleased to announce the filing of the Technical Report for the Antilla Copper Project Preliminary Economic Assessment Technical Report (PEA) on SEDAR. The results of the PEA were announced in a May 14, 2018 news release. The technical report was authored by Moose Mountain Technical Services Ltd., Tetra Tech Inc. and [Panoro Minerals Ltd.](#) The report is available on the Company's website at www.panoro.com and on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

The Antilla project is a copper-molybdenum porphyry deposit, located 140 km south west of the city of Cuzco in the Apurimac region in Southern Peru. The PEA results are highlighted as follows:

Highlights

• Pre-Tax Estimates:

- NPV (7.5%) of US\$ 519.8 million;
- IRR of 34.7%; and
- Payback of 2.6 years.

• After-tax Estimates:

- NPV (7.5%) of US\$ 305.4 million;
- IRR of 25.9%; and
- Payback of 3.0 years.

- Conventional open pit mine focused on supergene copper sulphides;
- Heap Leach and Solvent Extraction Electrowinning (SX/EW) process;
- Design throughput of 20,000 tonnes per day with an operational mine life of 17 years;
- Low waste to process feed ratio of 1.38:1;
- Average annual payable copper of 46.3 million pounds, as Cathodes;
- Average direct cash costs (C1) of US\$1.51 per pound of payable copper;
- Initial Project capital costs of US\$250.4 million, including contingencies; and
- Good potential for discovery of additional supergene mineralization adjacent to the current mineral resource area.

About Panoro

Panoro Minerals is a uniquely positioned Peru focused copper exploration and development company. The Company is advancing its flagship project, Cotabambas Copper-Gold-Silver Project and its Antilla Copper-Molybdenum Project, both located in the strategically important area of southern Peru. The Company is well financed to expand, enhance and advance its projects in the region where infrastructure such as railway, roads, ports, water supply, power generation and transmission are readily available and expanding quickly. The region boasts the recent investment of over US\$15 billion into the construction or expansion of four large open pit copper mines.

Since 2007, the Company has completed over 80,000 meters of exploration drilling at these two key projects leading to substantial increases in the mineral resource base for each, as summarized in the table below.

Summary of Cotabambas and Antilla Project Resources

Project	Resource Classification	Million Tonnes	Cu (%)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Mo (%)
Cotabambas Cu/Au/Ag	Indicated	117.1	0.42	0.23	2.74	0.001
	Inferred	605.3	0.31	0.17	2.33	0.002
@ 0.20% CuEq cutoff, effective October 2013, Tetrattech						
Antilla Cu/Mo	Indicated	291.8	0.34	-	-	0.01
	Inferred	90.5	0.26	-	-	0.007
@ 0.175% CuEq cutoff, effective May 2016, Tetrattech						

Preliminary Economic Assessments (PEA) have been completed for both the Cotabambas and Antilla Projects, the key results are summarized below.

Summary of Cotabambas and Antilla Project PEA Results

Key Project Parameters

Process Feed, life of mine		million tonnes	483
Process Feed, daily		Tonnes	80,0
Strip Ratio, life of mine			1.25
Before Tax ¹	NPV _{7.5%}	million USD	1,05
	IRR	%	20.4
	Payback	years	3.2
After Tax ¹	NPV _{7.5%}	million USD	684
	IRR	%	16.7
	Payback	years	3.6
Annual Average Payable Metals	Cu	thousand tonnes	70.5
	Au	thousand ounces	95.1
	Ag	thousand ounces	1,01
	Mo	thousand tonnes	-
Initial Capital Cost		million USD	1,53

1. Project economics estimated at commodity prices of; Cu = US\$3.00/lb, Au = US\$1,250/oz, Ag = US\$18.50/oz, Mo = US\$100,000/tonne
2. Project economics estimated at long term commodity price of Cu = US\$3.05/lb and Short term commodity price of Cu = US\$3.00/lb

The PEAs are considered preliminary in nature and include Inferred Mineral Resources that are considered too speculative to have the economic considerations applied that would enable classification as Mineral Reserves. There is no certainty that the conclusions within the updated PEA will be realized. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.

Luis Vela, a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical information in this press release.

On behalf of the Board of Panoro Minerals Ltd.

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- risks relating to estimates of mineral resources, production, capital and operating costs, decommissioning or reclamation expenses, proving to be inaccurate;
- the inherent operational risks associated with mining and mineral exploration, development, mine construction and operating activities, many of which are beyond Panoro's control;
- risks relating to Panoro's ability to enforce Panoro's legal rights under permits or licenses or risk that Panoro's will become subject to litigation or arbitration that has an adverse outcome;
- risks relating to Panoro's projects being in Peru, including political, economic and regulatory instability;
- risks relating to the uncertainty of applications to obtain, extend or renew licenses and permits;
- risks relating to potential challenges to Panoro's right to explore and/or develop its projects;
- risks relating to mineral resource estimates being based on interpretations and assumptions which may result in less mineral production under actual circumstances;
- risks relating to Panoro's operations being subject to environmental and remediation requirements, which may increase the cost of doing business and restrict Panoro's operations;
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- risks relating to inadequate insurance or inability to obtain insurance;
- risks relating to the fact that Panoro's properties are not yet in commercial production;
- risks relating to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and tax rates; and
- risks relating to Panoro's ability to raise funding to continue its exploration, development and mining activities.

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