

Copper Mountain Mining Announces Q1 2019 Financial Results

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VANCOUVER, April 29, 2019 - [Copper Mountain Mining Corp.](#) (TSX: CMMC | ASX:C6C) (the "Company" or "Copper Mountain") announces first quarter financial results. All currency is in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated. All results are reported on a 100% basis. The Company's Financial Statements and Management Discussion & Analysis ("MD&A") are available at [www.CuMtn.com](#) and [www.sedar.com](#).

FIRST QUARTER 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- Production for the first quarter of 2019 was 22.3 million pounds of copper equivalent (comprised of 18.6 million pounds of copper, 7,127 ounces of gold and 62,280 ounces of silver).
- Revenue for the first quarter of 2019 was \$86.9 million, 11% higher than the first quarter of 2018, from the sale of 18.6 million pounds of copper, 7,026 ounces of gold and 64,992 ounces of silver, net of pricing adjustments.
- C1 cash cost per pound of copper produced was US\$1.77 for the first quarter of 2019, a 9.7% reduction from the US\$1.94 of 2018.
- Earnings per share was \$0.07 and adjusted earnings per share was \$0.03 for the first quarter of 2019.
- Cash flow from operations for the first quarter of 2019 was \$23.7 million, increasing ten-fold from \$2.0 million in the first quarter of 2018.
- Announced a new Integrated Production Plan (the "Integrated Plan") for the Copper Mountain Mine, which includes a modest mill expansion to 45,000 tpd and integrates production from the nearby New Ingerbelle pit that has higher grades. The Integrated Plan results include a 102% increase in Mineral Reserves, a 12-year extension in mine life, 10 years, a 27% increase in average annual copper equivalent production to 116 million pounds (over the first ten years) and a 27% reduction in cash costs of US\$1.74 per pound of copper (over the first ten years).

"We started the year solidly, posting higher revenue, earnings and cash flow compared to Q1 last year," commented Greg Goss, Copper Mountain's President and CEO. "Production and costs were in line with our targets and we are maintaining our production guidance. Further, our C1 cash costs and all-in sustaining costs were markedly lower year-over-year. This solid operating base, along with our new life of mine plan integrating the New Ingerbelle Pit, provides a strong foundation for our business in Canada and Australia."

SUMMARY OF OPERATING RESULTS

Copper Mountain Mine (100% Basis)	2019 Q1	2018 Q1
Mine		
Total tonnes mined (000s)	17,454	16,584
Ore tonnes mined (000s)	2,814	6,518
Waste tonnes (000s)	14,640	10,066
Stripping ratio	5.20	1.54
Mill		
Tonnes milled (000s)	3,550	3,492
Feed Grade (Cu%)	0.29	0.33
Recovery (%)	81.6	78.7
Operating time (%)	92.9	92.5
Tonnes milled (TPD)	39,440	38,800
Production		
Copper (000s lb)	18,610	19,906
Gold (oz)	7,127	6,070
Silver (oz)	62,280	77,909
Sales		
Copper (000s lb)	19,348	21,741
Gold (oz)	7,026	6,491
Silver (oz)	64,992	80,569
Cost and Prices		
C1 cash cost per pound of copper produced (US\$) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	1.77	1.96
All-in-sustaining cost (AISC) per pound of copper produced (US\$) ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	1.87	2.14
Cost of Sales per pound of copper (US\$/lb sold (net))	1.97	2.21
Average realized copper price (US\$)	2.85	3.17

(1) Non-GAAP performance measure. See MD&A for details.

(2) Cash costs have been updated to industry recognized metrics of total operating costs (C1) and with the addition of All in Sustaining Costs per pound of copper produced the Company believes this disclosure will present the full cost of copper production associated with the Copper Mountain mine and take steps in further supporting peer group comparability. See the non-GAAP performance measures section in the MD&A for details of these calculations.

In Q1 2019, the Copper Mountain mine produced 18.6 million pounds of copper, 7,127 ounces of gold, and 62,280 ounces of silver compared to 19.9 million pounds of copper, 6,070 ounces of gold, and 77,909 ounces of silver in Q1 2018. This represents a decrease of 7% and 20% for copper and silver, respectively, and a 17% increase in gold. Overall copper feed grade was down 12% in Q1 2019 from Q1 2018, but was as planned. However this decrease was offset by higher throughput and recoveries in both copper and gold. In Q1 2019 approximately 0.7 million tonnes of ore that was fed to the mill came from the ore stockpile and was included in the average feed grade for the quarter. Increased gold production can be attributed to higher head grades and improved recoveries.

C1 cash cost per pound of copper produced for Q1 2019 was US\$1.77, which is 9.7% lower than Q1 2018 of US\$1.96. C1 cash cost was positively impacted by the cost associated with stripping in excess of the average life of mine strip ratio. This excess stripping cost in the period was treated as capital expenditures as required under IFRS. The overall strip ratio for 2019 is expected to be approximately 2.5 to 1, and, as planned, was higher in Q1 2019 as the mine started a new development pushback of Pit #3. The total cash value of deferred stripping in Q1 2019 was \$13.6 million, compared to Nil in Q1 2018.

Site cash costs for Q1 2019 were \$45.7 million and C1 cash costs were \$43.9 million, both in line with the previous eight quarters. The consistency in costs over the past quarters demonstrates reliable production and operation at the Copper Mountain mine quarter-after-quarter.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL RESULTS

Results and Highlights (100%)	Three months ended March 31,	
(In thousands of CDN\$, except for per share amounts)	2019 \$	2018 \$
Revenue	86,870	77,946
Gross profit	23,276	6,312
Gross profit before depreciation ⁽¹⁾	29,615	21,768
Net income (loss)	17,826	(6,466)
Earnings (loss) per share – basic	0.07	(0.04)
Adjusted net income ⁽¹⁾	6,036	11,587
Adjusted earnings per share – basic	0.03	0.09
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	31,864	11,485
Adjusted EBITDA	20,074	29,538
Cash flow from operations	23,689	2,018
Cash and cash equivalents – end of period	51,947	42,568

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In Q1 2019, revenue increased 12% to \$86.9 million, net of pricing adjustments and treatment charges, compared to \$77.9 million in Q1 2018. Q1 2019 revenue is based on the sale of 19.3 million pounds of copper, 7,026 ounces of gold, and 64,992 ounces of silver and on an average realized copper price of US\$2.85 per pound. This compares to 21.7 million pounds of copper, 6,491 ounces of gold and 80,569 ounces of silver sold in Q1 2018 and an average realized copper price of US\$3.17 per pound. Revenue was higher despite shipping fewer tonnes of concentrate and realizing a lower copper price during the quarter as a result of a positive mark-to-market adjustment of \$6.1 million in Q1 2019 compared to negative \$9.8 million in Q1 2018, a net difference of \$15.9 million in the quarter.

Cost of sales in Q1 2019 were \$63.6 million as compared to \$71.6 million for Q1 2018. The decrease in cost of sales is a result of selling fewer pounds of copper and the deferral of some of the stripping costs during the quarter. Unit cost of sales were US\$1.97 per pound of copper sold, net of precious metals credits for Q1 2019, as compared to US\$2.21 per pound of copper sold, net of precious metals credits for Q1 2018.

Gross profit in Q1 2019 was \$23.3 million, 270% higher when compared to Q1 2018 gross profit of \$6.3 million. Net income for Q1 2019 was \$17.8 million, compared to a net loss of \$6.5 million in Q1 2018. The increase in net income was a result of: 1) a \$6.1 million positive mark to market adjustment included in revenue; 2) lower depreciation of \$6.3 million in Q1 2019 cost of sales compared to \$15.4 million for Q1 2018 as a result of an increased reserve base in 2018 over which these costs are depreciated; and, 3) the inclusion of a non-cash unrealized foreign exchange gain of \$6.1 million as compared to a non-cash unrealized foreign exchange loss of \$8.1 million in Q1 2018, a differential of approximately \$14.2 million, which was primarily related to the Company's debt that is denominated in US dollars.

Q1 2019 FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS CONFERENCE CALL AND WEBCAST

The Company will hold a conference call on Monday, April 29, 2019 at 7:30 am (Pacific Time) for senior management to discuss the first quarter 2019 financial and operating results.

Dial-in information:

Toronto and international: 1 (647) 427-7450

North America (toll-free): 1 (888) 231-8191

To participate in the webcast live via computer go to:
<https://cumtn.com/investors/events/2019/>

Replay Call Information

Toronto and international: 1 (416) 849-0833 Passcode: 8687741

North America (toll-free): 1 (855) 859-2056 Passcode: 8687741

The conference call replay will be available from 10:30 am (Pacific Time) on April 29, 2019 until 8:59 pm (Pacific Time) on May 6, 2019. An archive of the audio webcast will also be available on the company's website at <http://www.cumtn.com>.

About Copper Mountain Mining Corporation

Copper Mountain's flagship asset is the 75% owned Copper Mountain mine located in southern British Columbia near the town of Princeton. The Copper Mountain mine currently produces approximately 90 million pounds of copper equivalent, with average annual production expected to increase to over 110 million pounds of copper equivalent in 2020. Copper Mountain also has the permitted, development-stage Eva Copper Project in Queensland, Australia and an extensive 4,000 km² highly prospective land package in the Mount Isa area. Copper Mountain trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "CMMC" and Australian Stock Exchange under the symbol "C6C".

Additional information is available on the Company's web page at www.CuMtn.com.

On behalf of the Board of

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"Gil Clausen"

Gil Clausen, P.Eng.
Chief Executive Officer

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Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Financial Position
(Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	March 31, December 31, 2019	
	2018	
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	51,947	46,123
Accounts receivable and prepaid expenses	24,638	18,923
Inventory	49,452	55,801
	126,037	120,847
Reclamation bonds	8,677	8,752
Deferred tax assets		

10,508

13,980

Property, plant and equipment	458,069	448,237
Low grade stockpile	110,555	109,846
	713,846	701,662

Liabilities

Current liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	35,902	37,494
Amounts payable to related parties	82,178	69,026
Current portion of long-term debt	61,048	52,956
Current tax liability	1,136	622
	180,264	160,098

Provisions	6,802	6,571
Interest rate swap liability	785	601
Long-term debt	203,219	229,001
Deferred tax liability	2,153	2,135
	393,223	398,406

Equity

Attributable to shareholders of the Company:

Share capital	263,832	263,822
Contributed surplus	18,041	17,378
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,458)	(1,655)
Accumulated deficit	(35,530)	(48,030)
	243,885	231,515
Non-controlling interest	76,738	71,741
Total equity	320,623	303,256

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Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Income (Loss) and Comprehensive Income (Loss)
For the Three Months Ended March 31 713,846 701,662
(Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars, except for number of and earnings per share)

2019 2018

\$ \$

Revenue	86,870	77,946
Cost of sales	(63,594)	(71,634)
Gross profit	23,276	6,312
Other income and expenses		
General and administration	(2,761)	(2,474)
Share based compensation	(661)	(506)
Operating income	19,854	3,332
Finance income	103	136
Finance expense (note 13)	(3,799)	(3,514)
Unrealized (loss) gain on interest rate swap	(394)	773
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	6,065	(8,076)
Income (loss) before tax	21,829	(7,349)
Current tax expense	(513)	(345)
Deferred income and resource tax (expense) recovery	(3,490)	1,228
Net income (loss)	17,826	(6,466)
Other comprehensive (loss) income		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(803)	-
Comprehensive income (loss)	17,023	(6,466)
Net income (loss) attributable to:		
Shareholders of the Company	12,500	(5,251)
Non-controlling interest	5,326	(1,215)
	17,826	(6,466)
Income (loss) per share:		
Basic	\$0.07	(\$0.04)
Diluted	\$0.07	(\$0.04)
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	188,170,359	134,311,879
Weighted average shares outstanding, diluted		

190,445,120

138,961,872

Shares outstanding at end of the period	188,187,159 134,374,708
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Condensed Consolidated Interim Statements of Cash Flows
For the Three Months Ended March 31,
(Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income (loss) for the period	17,826	(6,466)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	6,339	15,456
Unrealized foreign exchange (gain) loss	(3,682)	7,408
Unrealized loss (gain) on interest rate swap	394	(773)
Deferred income and resource tax expense (recovery)	3,490	(1,283)
Finance expense	3,799	3,514
Share based compensation	661	227
	28,827	18,083
Net changes in non-cash working capital items	(5,138)	(16,065)
Net cash provided by operating activities	23,689	2,018
Cash flows from investing activities		
Deferred stripping activities	(13,600)	-
Deferred acquisition costs	-	(1,474)
Development of property, plant and equipment	(2,335)	(1,339)
Refund of exploration bond	75	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(15,860)	(2,813)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Common shares issued on exercise of options	7	56
Contributions from non-controlling interest	15,035	14,029
Payments to non-controlling interest	(329)	-
Loan principal repaid	(12,828)	(12,378)
Interest paid		

(2,496)

(1,964)

Finance lease payments	(563)	(2,457)
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,174)	(2,714)
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(831)	944
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	5,824	(2,565)
Cash and cash equivalents - Beginning of period	46,123	45,133
Cash and cash equivalents - End of period	51,947	42,568

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