

Collective Mining Drills 503.25 Metres at 2.00 g/t Gold Equivalent from Surface at the Guayabales Project's Apollo System

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- APC-65 intersected 503.25 metres grading 2.0 g/t gold equivalent from surface crossing outcropping sheeted CBM mineralization before transitioning into brecciated porphyry. APC-65 increased the volume in the recently wireframe block model of the outcropping sheeted CBM vein system located above the brecciated porphyry and on a gram basis is the sixth hole ever drilled at Apollo measuring greater than 1,000 g/t gold equivalent.
- APC-68 intersected 45.0 metres grading 1.14 g/t gold equivalent close to surface in mineralized porphyry overprinting sheeted CBM vein mineralization. As a result of this interval, the Apollo porphyry system has been extended a further 45 metres to the north.
- Drill hole APC-69, which is the only hole drilled to date testing Target 5 located peripheral to the east of the Apollo porphyry system, intersected 78.35 metres grading 1.32 g/t gold equivalent from surface, followed by 78.3 metres grading 1.32 g/t gold equivalent in a zone of sheeted CBM vein mineralization. The mineralization encountered in APC-69 is now being tested as a 70 metre extension to the east of the surface footprint of the Apollo porphyry system.
- Due to drill hole APC-65, the overall area of the outcropping mineralization located within the area covered by the Apollo porphyry system has increased to 320 metres strike by 220 metres width (previously 260 metres strike by 220 metres width). The area remains open for further expansion. Drilling from Pad 12 is now underway with the aim of continuing to expand the outcropping mineralization to the north.
- Nine new holes have now been completed in the Apollo system with assays anticipated in the short term. Of particular interest is APC-72, which cut more than 500 metres of intense visible mineralization. Additionally, two initial reconnaissance holes have been completed at both the Plutus target and the ME target with drilling continuing at both newly discovered porphyry centres. Initial assay results for Plutus and ME are anticipated in October 2023.

Ari Sussman, Executive Chairman commented: "It is an exciting time for the Company with five rigs now actively turning on at the Guayabales project. Three of the rigs are focused on lateral and vertical expansion of the Apollo porphyry system while the remaining two rigs are drilling the Plutus and ME porphyry centres for the first time. At Apollo, drilling continues to intersect remarkably continuous mineralization over significant core lengths and we have just completed our first fan of four direct assays, all of which intercepted mineralized porphyry. Outside of Apollo, mineralized breccia of over 100 metres in length was intercepted at both the Plutus and ME targets with assay results for holes drilled at both targets expected in the near term. Guayabales is truly blessed with a remarkable endowment of metal and our corporate strategy of remaining aggressive in exploration will continue unabated."

To watch a short video of David Reading, Special Advisor to Collective Mining, reviewing today's assay results, please click [here](#).

TORONTO, Sept. 26, 2023 - [Collective Mining Ltd.](#) (TSX: CNL) (OTCQX: CNLMF) ("Collective" or the "Company") is pleased to announce assay results for three holes drilled in the Apollo target area, which is part of the Guayabales project located in the Guayabales area of the Eastern Cordillera of Colombia. Apollo already hosts an outcropping high-grade, bulk tonnage copper-silver-gold porphyry system and multiple high-grade, bulk tonnage copper-silver-gold porphyry systems and multiple high-grade, bulk tonnage copper-silver-gold porphyry systems generated yet untested targets surrounding it. The porphyry system at Apollo owes its excellent metal endowment to an ancient copper-silver and gold porphyry system being overprinted by younger precious metal rich, carbonate base metal veins (intermediate sulphidation porphyry veins) within a magmatic, hydrothermal inter-mineral breccia and diorite porphyry body. The system is currently measuring 520 metres x 395 metres x 915 metres and open for expansion.

Details (See Table 1 and Figures 1-4)

This press release outlines results from three holes drilled with the aim of expanding various portions of the Apollo porphyry system. Drill hole APC-65 was drilled northeastwards to test and expand the recently discovered upper zone of sheeted CBM mineralization as well as the brecciated porphyry body directly below. Exploratory holes APC-68 and APC-69 were drilled westwards from Pad 1 and eastwards from Pad 10, respectively, to test for potential extensions to the Apollo system.

APC-65 was drilled steeply northeastwards from Pad 10 to a maximum downhole depth of 530.75 metres (529 meters).

to topography). The hole intersected continuous mineralization over 503.25 metres commencing from surface. The first metres downhole cut the recently discovered outcropping sheeted CBM vein zone, located above and adjacent to the main brecciated porphyry body. The first 59 metres of this zone was drilled in mineralized saprolite and oxidized vein material exiting the weathered zone, sheeted CBM vein mineralization was intercepted hosting up to 3% pyrite and sphalerite replacement. Below this, the hole continues for 377 metres downhole in the brecciated porphyry zone with a sulphide cement matrix containing up to 1.0% chalcopyrite, 2.0% pyrite, 0.2% sphalerite, 0.1% galena and pyrrhotite (up to 1.0%) with assay results as follows:

- 503.25 metres @ 2.00 g/t gold equivalent from surface (consisting of 1.55 g/t gold, 23 g/t silver and 0.10% copper).

APC-65 has added volume to the recently completed internal wireframed block model covering the outcropping sheeted zone located above and peripheral to the main brecciated porphyry body.

On a gram x metre basis, APC-65 returned 1,007 g/t gold equivalent, which represents the sixth intercept ever drilled at Apollo measuring more than 1,000 g/t gold on a gram x metre basis.

APC-68 was drilled west from Pad 1 to a final downhole depth of 353.40 metres (276 metres vertical due to topography) intersected sheeted CBM mineralization to the north and above the current known dimensions of the Apollo porphyry system. CBM vein mineralization overprints quartz diorite porphyry rock and is intersected downhole for 45.5 metres from a shaft depth of 76.50 metres. The CBM veins contain sulphides of 0.1% chalcopyrite, pyrite (up to 1.5%), 0.1% galena, and sphalerite (up to 0.1%). Assay results for this interval are as follows:

- 45.50 metres @ 1.14 g/t gold equivalent from 76.50 metres downhole (consisting of 0.82 g/t gold, 18 g/t silver and 0.02% copper).

APC-68 was drilled to the east from Pad 1 to a final downhole depth of 576.95 metres (566 metres vertical due to topography) intersected the recently discovered outcropping sheeted CBM vein zone, located above and peripheral to the main brecciated porphyry body. The hole intersected CBM vein mineralization overprinting quartz diorite porphyry rock and is intersected downhole for 45.5 metres from a shaft depth of 76.50 metres. The CBM veins contain sulphides of 0.1% chalcopyrite, pyrite (up to 1.5%), 0.1% galena, and sphalerite (up to 0.1%). Assay results for this interval are as follows:

- 78.35 metres @ 1.32 g/t gold equivalent from surface downhole (consisting of 1.12 g/t gold, 12 g/t silver and 0.02% copper).

The mineralization style is consistent with the Apollo porphyry system.

Apollo Drill Program and Assay Update

The 2023 Phase II drilling program is advancing on schedule with assay results reported for 39 holes and an additional 10 waiting assay results from the lab. Since the announcement of the discovery hole in June 2022, a total of 70 drill holes (approximately 30,570 metres) have been completed and assayed at Apollo.

With five diamond drill rigs now operating at site, the Company is focused on:

1. Expanding the Apollo porphyry system including depth extensions and high-grade sub-zones.
2. Further drilling to expand the newly discovered shallow and outcropping sheeted CBM vein zone located above and peripheral to the Apollo brecciated porphyry body.
3. Testing the two remaining recently generated targets surrounding the Apollo porphyry system. Three targets have been tested to date with assay results reported.
4. Testing Plutus, a new large-scale porphyry target located approximately 1,000 metres east of Apollo.
5. Testing ME, another new porphyry centre located approximately 800 metres southeast of Apollo.
6. Generating new exploration targets for drill testing in 2024.

The Apollo area, as defined to date by surface mapping, rock sampling and copper and molybdenum soil geochemistry, covers a 1,000 metres X 1,200 metres area and represents a large and unusually high-grade copper-silver-gold porphyry system. Mineralization styles include early-stage porphyry veins, inter-mineral brecciated porphyry mineralization and multiple zones of late stage, sheeted, carbonate-base metal veins with high gold and silver grades. The Apollo area is still expanding as the Company's geologists have found multiple additional outcrop areas with porphyry veining, breccia, and late stage, sheeted, carbonate-base metal veins. (See press release dated April 18, 2023)

Results for holes outlined in this press release are summarized below:

Table 1: Assay Results for APC-65, APC-68 and APC-69

Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Au g/t	Ag g/t	Cu %	Mo %	AuEq g/t*
APC-65	-	503.25	503.25	1.55	23	0.10	0.001	2.00
incl	126.90	183.55	56.65	4.75	9	0.02	0.001	4.78
and incl	282.00	307.85	25.85	1.94	63	0.29	0.001	3.26
and incl	325.60	389.80	64.20	1.95	30	0.06	0.001	2.42
and incl	423.10	465.45	42.35	3.12	21	0.04	0.001	3.41
APC-68	76.50	122.00	45.50	0.82	18	0.03	0.005	1.14
incl	76.50	79.40	2.90	10.05	52	0.02	0.002	10.55
and incl	98.15	98.90	0.75	4.47	270	0.06	0.004	8.33
and incl	105.05	106.05	1.00	0.73	132	0.05	0.008	2.75
and incl	112.65	114.80	2.15	0.65	55	0.02	0.005	1.49
APC-69	0.30	78.65	78.35	1.12	13	0.02	0.000	1.32
Incl	55.00	60.65	5.65	5.33	84	0.04	0.001	6.44
and	221.40	299.70	78.30	0.64	8	0.05	0.000	0.82
Incl	257.70	265.40	7.70	1.61	29	0.23	0.000	2.35

*AuEq (g/t) is calculated as follows: (Au (g/t) x 0.97) + (Ag g/t x 0.016 x 0.88) + (Cu (%) x 1.79 x 0.90) + (Mo (%) x 11.62 x 0.85) utilizing metal prices of Cu - US\$3.85/lb, Ag - \$24/oz Mo - US\$25/lb and Au - US\$1,475/oz and recovery rates of 97% for Au, 88% for Ag, 85% for Mo, and 90% for Cu. Recovery rate assumptions are speculative as limited metallurgical work has been completed to date. True widths are unknown, and grades are uncertain.
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Founded by the team that developed and sold Continental Gold Inc. to Zijin Mining for approximately \$2 billion in enterprise value, Collective Mining is a copper, silver, and gold exploration company with projects in Caldas, Colombia. The Company has options to acquire 100% interests in two projects located directly within an established mining camp with ten fully permitted and operating mines.

The Company's flagship project, Guayabales, is anchored by the Apollo system, which hosts the large-scale, bulk-tonnage and high-grade copper-silver-gold Apollo porphyry system. The Company's near-term objective is to drill the shallow portions of the Apollo system, continue to expand the overall dimensions of the system, which remains open in most directions and test newly generated grassroots targets.

Management, insiders and close family and friends own nearly 45% of the outstanding shares of the Company and as a result, are fully aligned with shareholders. The Company is listed on the TSX under the trading symbol "CNL" and on the OTCQX under the trading symbol "CNLMF."

Qualified Person (QP) and NI43-101 Disclosure

David J Reading is the designated Qualified Person for this news release within the meaning of National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") and has reviewed and verified that the technical information contained herein is accurate and approves of the written disclosure of same. Mr. Reading has an MSc in Economic

Geology and is a Fellow of the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining and of the Society of Economic Geology (SEG).

Technical Information

Rock, soils and core samples have been prepared and analyzed at SGS laboratory facilities in Medellin, Colombia and Lima, Peru. Blanks, duplicates, and certified reference standards are inserted into the sample stream to monitor laboratory performance. Crush rejects and pulps are kept and stored in a secured storage facility for future assay verification. No capping has been applied to sample composites. The Company utilizes a rigorous, industry-standard QA/QC program.

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