

Dolly Varden Silver CEO Shawn Khunkhun Explains the Impact of the NYSE Listing

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Seven months ago, Dolly Varden Silver (TSX-V: DV) (NYSE MKT: DVS) (FSE: DVQ) announced that its shares would begin trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol DVS.

At the time, Shawn Khunkhun, President and CEO of Dolly Varden Silver stated, "By listing on the NYSE American, we are gaining access to the world's largest and most liquid equity markets, which we believe will create significant value for our shareholders."

"A lot has happened in the last seven months," Khunkhun confirmed to Guy Bennett, the CEO of Global Stocks News (GSN), in an exclusive interview. "We've raised \$62 million, drilled 55,000 meters, increased our metal inventory, purchased three properties, Mountain Boy, Kinskuch and Porter, which has expanded our land package to over 100,000 hectares."

"In the wake of these milestones, and stock price appreciation, I still get questions from investors about the impact of the NYSE listing."

"Prior to April 21, 2025, it was not easy for US-based investors to buy our stock," Khunkhun told GSN. "Each US institution has its own rules. Goldman Sachs, for instance, has price requirements. Typically, to buy Dolly Varden stock, a US investor would be forced to open a discount brokerage account, and probably get an agent on the phone, before executing a trade. There was significant friction, blocking that potential inflow of investment dollars."

Gallup data from May, 2025 reveals that 62% of Americans own some stocks, directly, in mutual funds or retirement accounts. Retail investors account for approximately 25% of total US equities trading volume. The total value of all stocks listed on the NYSE, Nasdaq and OTCQX is currently \$67 trillion.

"In the six months following the US listing, our share price appreciated 62%," Khunkhun told GSN. "In the last couple of months it has pulled back from \$7 to \$5.50."

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"Having direct access to US investors gives us a higher ROI on marketing," continued Khunkhun. "If you go from a pool of 10,000 investors to 6 million, that changes your metrics, your conversion rate."

"It's 7:45 am in Vancouver, and we've traded \$823,000 US dollar volume, which is \$1.16 million CDN," said Khunkhun, glancing at his computer screen in his Vancouver office. "On the TSX-V, we've traded \$372,000. There's about 3.5X the dollar liquidity in the US, compared to Canada. Going forward, it makes sense to focus more of our marketing programs on the US. I'd like to see the dollar liquidity in the US 9X higher than in Canada."

"Listing on the NYSE incurs costs related to compliance, insurance and lawyers' fees," Khunkhun told GSN. "But I believe the timing is right. With high government deficits, debts and inflation, generalists are entering the precious metal sphere for the first time."

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"Dolly Varden has secured approximately 100,000 hectares of prospective land containing five past-producing silver mines," stated Crux Investor. "Under Khunkhun's leadership over the past five years, the company has grown from a \$20 million valuation to approximately \$600 million."

"This growth stems from two strategic pillars: aggressive drilling programs totalling 196,000 meters that have unlocked substantial silver inventory, and accretive acquisitions executed primarily through share transactions to preserve cash for exploration."

In the "Pitch Perfect" Crux Investor video below, Khunkhun gives an overview of the Dolly Varden Silver investment opportunity.

"Some of the best performing investments are ones where you have a small free trading float," stated Khunkhun in the Crux Investor video. "Our institutional ownership is over 50%, the corporate ownership is over 25% and Mr. Eric Sprott owns about 10%. That leaves less than 15% in the hands of the public."

"Since April, we've been in an environment where the price of silver has doubled, and because of this small concentration in the hands of the public, we are outperforming the silver index."

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"There are only 10 primary silver producers," continued Khunkhun. "We are a company that represents one of five opportunities that are either going to be takeover candidates or the next producers."

"What differentiates us from our peer group is location. Yes, we have a high-grade project. Yes, we have a large silver inventory. But what makes Dolly Varden unique, in a very scarce market, is our location."

The Fraser Institute's Policy Perception Index (PPI) ranks Canada as the 3rd most appealing region for investment, after the United States and Australia.

Canada's mining industry plays a crucial role in the economy, contributing C\$161 billion to GDP and accounting for 21% of total exports in 2024.

The mining sector generates 700,000 direct and indirect jobs. It is also the largest employer of Indigenous people in Canada, fostering significant business partnerships with Indigenous-owned enterprises.

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