

News Release

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Common shares outstanding 52.9 million

All amounts are expressed in US dollars, unless otherwise stated.

Anvil Company Update

PERTH – Anvil Mining Limited (TSX, ASX: AVM), (the “Company”) is pleased to provide a Company update prior to the release of its March 2006 Quarterly Financial Report which is expected to be issued on May 11, 2006.

Kinsevere Project (70%)

Anvil is pleased to announce that a recently completed Scoping Study on the Kinsevere Project in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) concluded that the project is robust based on the resources reported in the NI 43-101 Technical Report completed in December 2005. The Study indicates that the preferred development option for Kinsevere is an open pit mining operation combined with a Heavy Media Separation (HMS) plant producing an oxide copper concentrate that would be processed through an on-site custom-built electric arc furnace utilizing power from the local hydroelectric grid. This processing route would produce “black copper” ingots assaying between 85%-95% copper. The HMS plant would subsequently be upgraded to a Solvent Extraction and Electrowinning (SX-EW) plant. A feasibility study on the SX-EW upgrade will be completed during the second quarter of 2006, with a commitment to proceed with the SX-EW development expected to be made in the third quarter of 2006.

Kapulo Joint Venture

Anvil has entered into an agreement with Mawson West Ltd (Mawson West), an ASX listed company, for Mawson West to begin earning into Anvil’s Kapulo Project tenements, which are located 130 km north east of the Company’s Dikulushi Mine.

The agreement with Mawson West will enable an exploration program to be carried out much sooner than was contemplated by Anvil given its considerable evaluation and development commitments on the Kinsevere and Mutoshi projects in the main part of the DRC Copperbelt.

Mawson West can earn up to a 65% interest following the expenditure of \$4 million over 4 years.

Agreement signed with Pact, Inc.

Anvil has signed an agreement with Pact, a Washington-based Non-Government Organisation, for the design and implementation of the Company’s social and community development programs in

the vicinity of the Company's Dikulushi Mine. Pact is well established in the Katanga Province of the DRC, and will add considerable professional capability to the Company's efforts to create meaningful and sustainable benefits for the local communities in the region of the Company's operations.

Anvil Mining Limited is an unhedged copper and silver producer with two operating mines in the DRC and whose shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the Australian Stock Exchange under the symbol AVM.

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Additional Notes:

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