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Anvil Mining Recommences HMS Production at Kinsevere Announces 2009 Outlook and Current Cash Position

Montréal, Canada: Anvil Mining Limited (TSX, ASX: AVM), (“Anvil” or the “Company”), today announced the Company has recommenced operation of the Kinsevere Heavy Media Separation (“HMS”) processing plant and shut down the Electric-Arc Furnace (“EAF”) located at Kinsevere. The Company also provided guidance for its 2009 production, operating costs and capital expenditures, as well as its current cash position resulting from the progressive liquidation of its available-for-sale-investments.

The Kinsevere HMS plant was restarted on March 27, 2009 and in the first 10 days of operation produced approximately 1,645 tonnes of concentrate at an average grade of 26% copper, yielding 430 tonnes of copper in concentrate. Overall average copper recovery was 57.3%. The HMS plant is expected to produce approximately 8,900 tonnes of copper contained in concentrates through to Q3 2009, at an operating cash cost at the mine gate of \$0.50/lb Cu (after sunk costs). The Company also has existing stockpiles of copper concentrates at Kinsevere of approximately 16,700 tonnes grading 27% copper, previously destined for EAF processing, now ready for immediate sale.

Feed to the Kinsevere HMS plant is being sourced from the Run of Mine (“ROM”) stockpile (located in close proximity to the crusher), comprising 259,000 tonnes of ore grading 5.7% copper. Subject to favourable copper prices and metallurgical recoveries, additional feed is potentially available from the Stage II stockpiled ore, which currently amounts to more than one million tonnes at an average grade of 2.9% copper. The Company is also considering the possibility of resuming open pit mining to supplement HMS plant feed into 2010.

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The **Kinsevere HMS Production Outlook** (April to Q3 '09) is as follows:

Ore processed:	259,000 tonnes
Copper feed grade:	5.7% Cu
Contained copper:	14,800 tonnes
Average Cu copper recovery:	60%
Copper produced in concentrate:	8,900 tonnes
Operating cash cost (ex-mine gate)*:	\$0.50/lb
Existing concentrate stockpile:	16,700 tonnes
Grade of existing concentrate stockpile:	27% Cu
Contained copper in existing stockpile:	4,500 tonnes
Total 2009 copper in concentrates ⁺ :	13,400 tonnes

* *Sunk costs on available ROM feed = \$0.11/lb.*

⁺ *Future HMS Production plus existing concentrate stockpile.*

The Company has entered into contracts to sell the HMS concentrate production and the existing concentrate stockpile, at the Kinsevere mine gate. Under the terms of these contracts the Company will receive 40% of the LME copper price for concentrate with a grade in excess of 25% copper.

Cost Cutting

Bill Turner, President and CEO of Anvil, commented, "We are continuing to execute the cost cutting measures commenced during the fourth quarter of 2008 in response to the fall in metal prices and deterioration of financial markets. The recommissioning of the Kinsevere HMS plant has been a relatively straight forward exercise which will produce a stronger cash flow stream in a shorter time than would have been possible with the continued operation of the EAF. Furthermore, operating costs have been reduced to a minimum in order to maximise the cash flow from this operation."

2009 Capital Expenditures

Budgeted capital expenditure for 2009 has been reduced to the minimum necessary to sustain the operation of the Kinsevere HMS plant. All other capital expenditure programs, including exploration, have been placed on hold for the remainder of 2009.

The capital expenditure required to complete the Kinsevere Stage II solvent extraction electro-winning ("SX-EW") plant is approximately \$200 million and efforts to procure funding to allow the recommencement of construction are ongoing.

Cash and Liquidity

Following Board approval in March 2009, the Company has commenced the process of liquidating its portfolio of available-for-sale investments, which have an estimated liquidation value, at today's prices, of approximately \$18.0 million. The first stage of this process is expected to generate approximately \$14.0 million, of which almost \$8.5 has already been



realized. A provision of approximately \$5.0 million for further impairment of the value of these investments since December, 2008 is expected to be recorded in the first quarter 2009 financial results.

As at April 8, 2009, the Company had cash reserves of \$33.7 million, available-for-sale investments with a current value of \$9.5 million and \$3.0 million of receivables that are expected to be realized during the second quarter of 2009. These amounts, together with cash generated from operations, will be applied to discharge liabilities payable and accrued (the most substantial of which include shut down costs for operations placed on care and maintenance, retrenchment payments to redundant employees and "Pas de Porte" payments to Gécamines). To the extent of any shortfall in meeting these obligations, the Company may seek to renegotiate the amounts and timing of its liabilities and/or obtain additional financing by way of issuing debt or equity.

Anvil Mining Limited is an unhedged copper producer whose shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (as common shares) and the Australian Securities Exchange (as CDIs) under the symbol AVM.

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures:

In this news release, we use the term "operating cash costs." Operating cash costs are defined as the sum of the costs attributed to geology, mining, processing plant, general and administration costs as well as royalties, refining and treatment charges and sales costs, but with respect to concentrate sales do not include refining, treatment charges and sales costs. We use operating cash costs per pound as an operating indicator. We provide this measure to our investors to allow them to also monitor mine operational efficiencies. Operating cash costs per pound should be considered as non-GAAP Financial Measure and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. There are material limitations associated with the use of such non-GAAP Financial Measures. Since these measures do not incorporate revenues, changes in working capital and non-operating cash costs, they are not necessarily indicative of operating profit or cash flow from operations as determined under GAAP. Changes in numerous factors including without limitation, mining rates, milling rates, copper grades and recoveries, and the costs of labour, consumables and mine site operations general and administrative activities can cause these measures to increase or decrease.

Caution Concerning Forward-Looking Statements:

This news release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities laws. Such forward-looking statements or information include expected plans for continued operations at the Kinsevere mine using the existing HMS Plant, the Company's intention to continue to seek to finance the construction of the Kinsevere Stage II SX-EW Plant, the Company's anticipated cash position and the Company's anticipated production and operating cash costs for 2009 at Kinsevere. In making the forward-looking statements and providing the forward-looking information, we have made numerous assumptions. Although management believes that the assumptions made and the expectations represented by such statements or information are reasonable, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate. Forward-looking statements and information involve known and unknown risks,



uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements and information. Such risks, uncertainties and other factors include among other things, declines in the price of copper, capital and operating cost increases, changes in general economic and business conditions, including changes in interest rates and the demand for base metals, economic and political instability in the DRC, discrepancies between actual and estimated production and mineral reserves and resources; operational and development risk; and regulatory risks.

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