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Anvil Mining Reports Third Quarter 2009 Results

Montréal, Canada: Anvil Mining Limited (TSX, ASX: AVM), (“Anvil” or the “Company”), today announced a net loss for the third quarter ended September 30, 2009, of \$0.2 million (\$0.00 per share), compared to a net loss of \$17.3 million (-\$0.24 per share) for the third quarter of 2008. Net sales for the third quarter of 2009 totalled \$18.1 million, compared to \$42.3 million for the corresponding quarter in 2008. Cash flows from operating activities, before working capital movements were \$6.6 million (\$0.06 per share), compared to a negative cash flow of \$1.0 million (-\$0.01 per share) for the third quarter of 2008. Copper production for the third quarter of 2009 and for year-to-date totalled 5,865 tonnes and 11,436 tonnes of copper respectively.

As at November 12, 2009, Anvil had approximately \$67.1 million in cash, \$16.9 million in available-for-sale investments and \$8.2 million of receivables, the majority of which it expects to realize during the fourth quarter of 2009. During the next 12 months the Company’s commitments include \$12.2 million for *Pas de Porte* (entry premium) payments due to *La Générale des Carrières et des Mines* (“Gécamines”) with respect to the Kinsevere and Mutoshi amended agreements and \$17.1 million that relates to the Kinsevere Stage II development.

The Company’s 2009 third quarter results represent a significant improvement on the results of the first and second quarters of 2009, primarily as a result of the performance of the Kinsevere Heavy Media Separation (“HMS”) plant and the reduced impact of one-off factors associated with the cessation of operations at the Company’s Dikulushi, Mutoshi and Kinsevere mines during the fourth quarter of 2008, which had a significant negative impact on the Company’s first and second quarter results.

The Company recommenced operation of the Kinsevere HMS plant on March 27, 2009, with the primary aim of generating sufficient cash flow to enable the Company to sustain a positive cash flow until such time as the Kinsevere Stage II Solvent Extraction – Electrowinning (“SX-EW”) plant becomes operational. Based on forecast production and an assumed average realized copper price of \$2.25 / lb for the remainder of 2009 and \$2.50 for 2010, the HMS plant is expected to generate sufficient cash to allow the Group to maintain a positive operating cash flow.

Since recommencement of operations, the HMS plant has produced 11,436 tonnes of copper contained in concentrate and generated gross revenue of \$27.4 million, incurred cash operating expenses of \$9.5 million for a net cash flow from HMS operations of \$17.9 million. The Group has utilized these funds to pay expenses of \$8.2 million related to care and maintenance of the Dikulushi and Mutoshi mines, corporate overheads, exploration and social development, providing a net cash

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flow of \$9.7 million, since recommencement of operation of the HMS plant. During the third quarter the Group achieved a net cash flow of \$9.1 million.

Bill Turner, President and CEO of Anvil, commented, “The performance of the Kinsevere HMS plant since recommencement of operations has exceeded expectations. The combined effects of the restart of the HMS plant and the cost reduction initiatives implemented in late 2008 and early 2009, have positioned the Company to be able to operate with a positive cash flow up until Kinsevere Stage II comes on line.”

Mr. Turner further commented, “The agreement reached with Trafigura in early August 2009 for a combined debt and equity financing of \$200 million represents a fully financed solution for the development of Kinsevere Stage II. Since then we have been working closely with Ausenco to be positioned for a rapid recommencement of construction and fabrication works on Kinsevere Stage II. We have also been in regular discussion with Trafigura and are close to completing definitive agreements in connection with the second Tranche of the \$200 million financing, the details of which will be submitted for shareholder approval at a meeting expected to be held in early December 2009. Trafigura represents an excellent long-term strategic partner for Anvil and we look forward to working with them to successfully complete Kinsevere Stage II and further develop the Company’s interests in the DRC.”

The complete third quarter 2009 unaudited financial statements together with the related Management’s Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) are available on Anvil’s website at www.anvilmining.com under the heading “Financial Reports” within the Investor Relations section.

Key points for the third quarter

- Sales of \$18.1 million.
- Operating profit of \$4.2 million.
- Net loss of \$0.2 million (\$0.00 per share).
- Positive cash flows from operating activities, before working capital movements, of \$6.6 million (\$0.06 per share).
- Net unrealized gain related to mark-to-market movement in the value of available-for-sale investments of \$3.7 million which has been recognised in shareholders’ equity.
- Quarterly production of 5,865 tonnes of copper.
- Positive cash flow from Kinsevere HMS operating activities of \$9.1 million (excluding payments for staff redundancies and other one-off costs).
- Completion of the first tranche of the private placement with Trafigura Beheer B.V. (“Trafigura”) for proceeds of approximately \$32 million.
- Appointment of Mr. Jeremy Weir to the Company’s board of directors.

Key points for the year to date

- Positive cash flow from operating activities, since recommencement of the Kinsevere HMS plant of \$9.7 million (excluding payments for staff redundancies and other one-off costs).
- Net loss of \$30.4 million (-\$0.34 per share).



- Negative cash flows from operating activities, before working capital movements, of \$11.7 million (-\$0.13 per share).
- Copper production of 11,436 tonnes.

Near term objectives (next three months)

- Continued positive cash flow from operation of the Kinsevere HMS plant.
- Shareholder approval of the transaction with Trafigura.
- Completion of the remaining engineering and design works for Kinsevere Stage II.
- Continued build up of early works program at Kinsevere Stage II.
- Execution of Lump Sum Turnkey (“LSTK”) contract with Ausenco.
- Appointment of owner’s representative for Kinsevere Stage II construction works.

Longer term objectives (2010 onwards)

- Completion of construction and commissioning of the Kinsevere Stage II SX-EW plant.
- Commencement of further drilling on the Mutoshi project and the Kinsevere sulphide resource.
- Completion of a pre-feasibility study for a Mutoshi Stage II SX-EW project.
- Completion of preliminary studies on the mining and processing of the sulphide resource at Kinsevere.

Kinsevere HMS Production

The Company recommenced operation of the Kinsevere HMS plant on March 27, 2009, with feed to the HMS plant sourced from Run of Mine (“ROM”) stockpile. By the end of the third quarter, the ROM stockpile was almost fully depleted and as a result, during August 2009 the Company recommenced mining in the Central Pit.

For the September quarter, the HMS plant produced 21,901 tonnes of concentrate, grading 26.8% copper for 5,865 tonnes of copper and since recommencement of operation in late March 2009, the HMS plant has produced 43,557 tonnes of concentrate, grading 26.3% for 11,436 tonnes of copper. The HMS plant is expected to produce approximately 16,000 tonnes of copper contained in concentrates through to the end of 2010, at an operating cash cost at the mine gate of less than \$0.50/lb Cu (inclusive of sunk costs).

In addition to producing a coarse concentrate from the HMS plant, the Company also produces a fine grained, slightly lower grade concentrate from a spirals circuit, through which the fines (<0.6mm) which are screened off before the HMS circuit, are treated.



Table 1 below sets out the details of the performance of the HMS plant for the third quarter and year to date 2009.

Table 1. Performance of Kinsevere HMS Plant

| | Third Quarter ended September 30, 2009 | March 27, 2009 to September 30, 2009 |
|--|---|---|
| Ore mined (tonnes) | 132,493 | 132,493 |
| Ore processed – HMS (tonnes) | 80,730 | 166,510 |
| Feed grade – HMS (% Cu) | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| Contained copper – HMS (tonnes) | 6,443 | 13,320 |
| Copper recovery – HMS (%) | 80.6 | 75.9 |
| Copper produced in concentrate – HMS (tonnes) | 5,192 | 10,045 |
| Copper produced in concentrate – Spirals (tonnes) | 673 | 1,391 |
| Concentrate grade – HMS and Spirals (% Cu) | 26.8 | 26.3 |
| Total copper produced in concentrate – HMS & Spirals (tonnes) | 5,865 | 11,436 |
| Operating cash cost – ex mine gate (\$ per tonne of concentrate) | 249 | 300 |

Kinsevere Stage II

Having received proceeds during the third quarter of approximately \$32 million from the first tranche of the \$200 million financing agreed with Trafigura, the Company commenced various early start activities in order to better position the Company for a rapid mobilisation of contractor and sub-contractor personnel and ensure a timely recommencement of full-scale construction and fabrication works at Kinsevere Stage II, once the contract with Ausenco has been signed. Key activities have included:

- Engineering and Design – work is progressing well, with approximately 56% of the works completed as at October 31, with the remaining works expected to be completed in early December 2009.
- Contract documentation – a term sheet that sets out the major commercial terms of a LSTK contract has been agreed with Ausenco and negotiations to finalise the LSTK contract are continuing.
- Early Works Program – the Company has begun an Early Works Program, the key elements of which include: refurbishment of the Stage II camp and supporting infrastructure; procurement of long lead time items; and commencement by Ausenco of negotiations with sub-contractors.
- Ausenco Project Risk Review – a risk review was carried out during September 2009 at which representatives from Ausenco, the Company, Trafigura and Green Team International (“GTI”) participated.
- Peer Review – the Company engaged GTI to conduct a Peer Review focusing on the project schedule, manpower requirements, cost estimates and the contractor’s capabilities, which is expected to be finalized during the fourth quarter of 2009.
- Appointment of an Owner’s Representative – discussions are well advanced in relation to the appointment of an Owner’s Representative and the Company expects to be in position to make such an appointment immediately following the execution of the LSTK contract after the meeting of shareholders to approve the transaction with Trafigura.



The Company estimates that the timeframe for completion of construction, dry commissioning, and hydraulic testing for readiness to receive ore is approximately 12-15 months from award of contract.

Third Quarter Results Conference Call and Webcast

The Company will hold a conference call at 8:30 a.m. (Canada, Toronto time) today, Thursday November 12, 2009, coinciding with 9:30 p.m. (AWST – Australia, Perth time) on the same day, to discuss the results.

The details to access the conference call and the live audio webcast are as follows:

Conference call: 1-416-646-3097

(Please call approximately five minutes prior to the scheduled start of the call).

Live audio webcast of the conference call (listen mode only):

- **CNW Group website at:**
<http://www.newswire.ca/en/webcast/viewEvent.cgi?eventID=2862860> (English)
<http://www.cnw.ca/fr/webcast/viewEvent.cgi?eventID=2862860> (French)

Replay Information (available for a period of 7 days):

The conference call will be recorded and a playback of the call will be available after the event by dialling 1-416-640-1917, **Reservation number 4178908 followed by the pound (#) key.**

Anvil Mining Limited is a 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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transactions proposed with Trafigura will be successfully completed within expected time limits and budgets or that, when completed, the expanded production facility will operate as anticipated.



Appendix

Key Financial and Production Data (unaudited)

| | 3 months ended September 30 | | 9 months ended September 30 | |
|---|--------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 |
| Sales: (\$ millions) | 18.1 | 42.3 | 27.5 | 177.4 |
| Operating profit / (loss): (\$ millions) | 4.2 | (2.6) | (17.9) | 47.1 |
| Provision for impairment: (\$ millions) | (2.4) | (5.5) | (7.3) | (5.5) |
| Exploration expenditure written off: (\$ millions) | - | (2.5) | (3.2) | (2.5) |
| Net (loss)/ Income: (\$ millions) | (0.2) | (17.3) | (30.4) | 12.6 |
| PRODUCTION STATISTICS: | | | | |
| Consolidated Group | | | | |
| Copper produced in concentrates (tonnes) | 5,865 | 11,318 | 11,436 | 33,866 |
| Silver produced in concentrates (ounces) | - | 189,867 | - | 921,339 |
| Per Mine | | | | |
| Kinsevere mine | | | | |
| Ore mined (tonnes) | 132,493 | 727,736 | 132,493 | 2,248,467 |
| Ore processed (tonnes) | 80,730 | 104,414 | 166,510 | 290,808 |
| Copper grade (% Cu) | 8.0 | 9.1 | 8.0 | 9.4 |
| Contained copper in ore (tonnes) | 6,443 | 9,467 | 13,320 | 27,290 |
| Recovery Cu (%) | 80.6 | 75.1 | 75.9 | 67.4 |
| Copper produced in concentrates – HMS (tonnes) | 5,192 | 7,113 | 10,045 | 18,401 |
| Copper produced in concentrate – Spirals (tonnes) | 673 | - | 1,391 | - |
| Copper produced in concentrate – HMS and Spirals (tonnes) | 5,865 | 7,113 | 11,436 | 18,401 |
| Copper produced in blister (tonnes) | - | 161 | - | 161 |
| Costs of production (\$) | | | | |
| Operating cash costs per tonne of concentrate (ex mine gate) \$/t | 249 | 194 | 300 | 270 |
| Dikulushi mine | | | | |
| Ore mined (tonnes) | - | 15,265 | - | 81,288 |
| Ore processed (tonnes) | - | 134,994 | - | 345,517 |
| Feed grade (% Cu) | - | 2.2 | - | 3.4 |
| Contained Copper in Ore (tonnes) | - | 2,934 | - | 11,637 |
| Recovery Cu (%) | - | 61.8 | - | 80.0 |
| Copper produced in concentrates (tonnes) | - | 1,813 | - | 9,304 |
| Silver produced in concentrates (ounces) | - | 189,867 | - | 921,339 |
| Operating cash cost (ex mine gate) (after silver credits) (\$/lb) | - | 2.89 | - | 0.59 |
| Total cash costs from operations (\$/lb) | - | 3.47 | - | 1.10 |

1. Includes provisional and final pricing adjustments and treatment and refining charges.



Key Financial and Production Data (unaudited) (cont.)

| | 3 months ended September 30 | | 9 Months ended September 30 | |
|--|--------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 |
| PRODUCTION STATISTICS: | | | | |
| Mutoshi mine | | | | |
| Ore mined (tonnes) | - | 154,602 | - | 428,361 |
| Ore processed (tonnes) | - | 135,772 | - | 373,199 |
| Copper grade (% Cu) | - | 3.8 | - | 3.9 |
| Contained copper in ore (tonnes) | - | 5,152 | - | 14,624 |
| Recovery Cu (%) | - | 46.4 | - | 41.1 |
| Copper produced in concentrates (tonnes) | - | 2,392 | - | 6,160 |
| Costs of production: (\$) | | | | |
| Operating cash costs per tonne of concentrate (ex mine gate) | - | 984 | - | 914 |



Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited)
(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars)

| | September 30 2009 | December 31 2008 |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 69,008 | 45,033 |
| Restricted cash | 1,009 | 871 |
| Accounts receivable | 13,314 | 24,243 |
| Inventories | 17,744 | 31,064 |
| Available-for-sale investments | 14,967 | 24,032 |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits | 33,577 | 51,258 |
| | 149,619 | 176,501 |
| Equity accounted investment | - | 1,320 |
| Long-term inventory | 10,875 | 10,651 |
| Long-term receivable | 15,256 | 12,464 |
| Exploration and acquisition expenditure | 50,319 | 51,352 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 333,126 | 280,334 |
| | 559,195 | 532,622 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 24,428 | 34,731 |
| Income taxes payable | - | 463 |
| Other liabilities | 1,449 | 2,460 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 282 | 362 |
| | 26,159 | 38,016 |
| Future income tax liability | 18,968 | 24,431 |
| Other non-current liability | 6,589 | - |
| Long-term debt | 149 | 321 |
| Asset retirement obligations | 13,626 | 12,980 |
| | 65,491 | 75,748 |
| Non-controlling interest | 761 | 1,909 |
| | 66,252 | 77,657 |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Equity accounts | 444,742 | 383,419 |
| Retained earnings | 40,572 | 70,987 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 7,629 | 559 |
| Total shareholders' equity | 492,943 | 454,965 |
| | 559,195 | 532,622 |



Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income (unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars except per share amounts)

| | 3 Months Ended September 30 | | 9 Months Ended September 30 | |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| | 2009 \$ | 2008 \$ | 2009 \$ | 2008 \$ |
| Sales | 18,089 | 42,320 | 27,473 | 177,376 |
| Operating expenses | (10,114) | (37,371) | (33,939) | (99,357) |
| Amortization | (3,776) | (7,579) | (11,473) | (30,969) |
| | <u>4,199</u> | <u>(2,630)</u> | <u>(17,939)</u> | <u>47,050</u> |
| Other income | 447 | 1,581 | 893 | 6,828 |
| Share of loss in associates | - | (555) | - | (891) |
| Provision for impairment of assets | (2,381) | (5,517) | (7,316) | (5,517) |
| Exploration expenditure written off | - | (2,500) | (3,224) | (2,500) |
| General, administrative and marketing | (1,504) | (5,721) | (7,346) | (18,134) |
| Foreign exchange (losses) / gains | (856) | (481) | 691 | (99) |
| Stock based compensation | (339) | (784) | (1,444) | (1,784) |
| Interest and financing fees | (244) | (215) | (762) | (1,072) |
| (Loss) / Earnings before income tax and non-controlling interest | <u>(678)</u> | <u>(16,822)</u> | <u>(36,447)</u> | <u>23,881</u> |
| Income tax credit / (expense) | 611 | (969) | 5,845 | (10,278) |
| Non-controlling interest share of (gain) / loss | (166) | 455 | 187 | (984) |
| Net (loss) / income | <u>(233)</u> | <u>(17,336)</u> | <u>(30,415)</u> | <u>12,619</u> |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | |
| Net unrealized gain on available-for-sale investments | 3,703 | (6,069) | 7,070 | (5,727) |
| Total comprehensive income / (loss) | <u>3,470</u> | <u>(23,405)</u> | <u>(23,345)</u> | <u>6,892</u> |
| Basic (loss) / earnings per share (\$) | 0.00 | (0.24) | (0.34) | 0.18 |
| Diluted (loss) / earnings per share (\$) | 0.00 | (0.24) | (0.34) | 0.18 |



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Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of United States dollars)

| | 3 Months Ended September 30 | | 9 Months Ended September 30 | |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | | |
| Net (loss) / earnings for the period | (233) | (17,336) | (30,415) | 12,619 |
| Items not affecting cash | | | | |
| Amortization | 3,776 | 7,579 | 11,473 | 30,969 |
| Share of loss in associates | - | 555 | - | 891 |
| (Gain) / Loss on sale of assets | (195) | 20 | (156) | 277 |
| Exploration expenditure written off | - | 2,500 | 3,224 | 2,500 |
| Provision for impairment of assets | 2,381 | 5,517 | 7,316 | 5,517 |
| Accretion expense | 216 | 189 | 646 | 1,079 |
| Non-controlling interest share of (loss) / income | 167 | (455) | (187) | 984 |
| Unrealized foreign exchange losses / (gains) | 314 | (1,492) | 376 | (942) |
| Future tax | (199) | 1,126 | (5,464) | 4,189 |
| Stock based compensation | 338 | 784 | 1,444 | 1,784 |
| Changes in non-cash working capital | (4,710) | 30,137 | 7,096 | 12,915 |
| | 1,855 | 29,124 | (4,647) | 72,782 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | | |
| Payments for property, plant and equipment | (13,522) | (41,376) | (40,819) | (137,464) |
| Proceeds from sale of assets | 824 | 225 | 1,176 | 465 |
| Payments for exploration and evaluation expenditure | (1,083) | (8,587) | (2,191) | (23,946) |
| Proceeds of principal repayments from investments | 1,103 | 5,605 | 12,631 | 12,910 |
| Payments for build up of low-grade ore stockpiles | - | (3,164) | - | (9,304) |
| | (12,678) | (47,297) | (29,203) | (157,339) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | | |
| Proceeds from issue of shares (net of issue expenses) | 31,960 | 193 | 59,159 | 711 |
| Proceeds from borrowings (net of fees incurred) | - | - | - | 800 |
| Repayment of borrowings | (252) | (79) | (252) | (117) |
| Movement in restricted cash | (44) | - | (137) | (1,193) |
| Disbursements on behalf of Dikulushi Trusts | (523) | (2,448) | (960) | (5,547) |
| | 31,141 | (2,334) | 57,810 | (5,346) |
| Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | | | | |
| | 20,318 | (20,507) | 23,960 | (89,903) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period | 48,677 | 146,186 | 45,033 | 215,754 |
| Effects of exchange rate changes on cash held in foreign currencies | 13 | (194) | 15 | (366) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period | 69,008 | 125,485 | 69,008 | 125,485 |