

News Release

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Cerro Grande Mining Corporation Announces its Second Fiscal Quarter Ended March 31, 2015 Results Compared to the Comparable Period in 2014 and for the Six Months Fiscal Period Ended March 31, 2015 Compared to the Comparable Six Months Period in 2014

Toronto, Ontario, Canada – Cerro Grande Mining Corporation (the “Company” or “CEG”) (CSE:CEG)(OTCQB:CEGMF) reported its unaudited results for its second fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015 compared to the same quarter in 2014 and results for the six months fiscal period ended March 31, 2015 compared to the same 6 months period in 2014. These financial statements and MD&A have been filed on SEDAR and the Company refers the reader to those materials for additional information.

Revenues totalled US \$2,381,000 for the Company’s second fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015 which includes gold sales of US\$2,096,000(1,667ozs of gold) and copper and silver sales of US\$285,000 compared to revenues for the same quarter in 2014 of US \$4,233,000 which includes gold sales of US \$3,601,000(2,643 ozs of gold) and copper and silver sales of US\$638,000.

Revenues totalled US \$4,845,000 for the Company’s six months fiscal period ended March 31, 2015 which included gold sales of US \$4,255,000 (3,499 ozs of gold) and copper and

silver sales of US \$590,000 compared to revenues for the same 6 month period in 2014 of US \$8,744,000 which includes gold sales of US \$7,485,000 (5,201 ozs of gold) and copper and silver sales of US \$1,259,000.

Net loss before income taxes for the second fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015 was US \$1,372,000 compared to a loss of US \$1,248,000 in the comparable period a year ago and for the six month period ended March 31, 2015, the Company reported a loss before income taxes of US\$2,847,000 compared to the same 6 month period a year ago of US\$2,334,000. Net loss after income taxes for the six month period just ended and the year ago period were the same as income before taxes.

At March 31, 2015 the Company had a negative working capital position of US \$2,686,000 compared to US \$1,429,000 at March 31, 2014.

On a standalone basis, the Pimenton mine had a net loss for its second fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015 of US \$947,000 after deducting depreciation and amortization expense of US \$1,207,000 compared to the same period in 2014 when the net loss was US \$290,000 after deducting depreciation and amortization expense of US \$1,421,000.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL RESULTS

The table below sets out the consolidated profit and loss for the second quarter ended March 31, 2015 with comparatives for the same period in 2014 and the six months ended March 31, 2015 compared to the six months, ended March 31, 2014. (000's omitted only in the table below)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2014
Revenue	\$	\$	\$	\$
Sales	2,381	4,233	4,845	8,774
Services	-	-	-	-
	<u>2,381</u>	<u>4,233</u>	<u>4,845</u>	<u>8,774</u>
Expenses				
Operating costs	3,203	4,909	6,508	9,699
Operating costs for services	-	-	-	-
Reclamation and remediation	6	11	13	22
General, sales and administrative	557	577	1,172	1,347
Foreign exchange	(39)	(8)	(59)	(58)
Interest	52	(5)	105	90
Other gains and losses (net)	(26)	(3)	(48)	6
Exploration costs	-	-	-	2
	<u>3,753</u>	<u>5,481</u>	<u>7,692</u>	<u>11,108</u>

Loss and comprehensive loss before income taxes	(1,372)	(1,248)	(2,847)	(2,334)
Income tax (expense)/recovery	-	-	-	-
Deferred income tax	-	-	-	-
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period	<u>(1,372)</u>	<u>(1,248)</u>	<u>(2,847)</u>	<u>(2,334)</u>
Basic and diluted loss per share	<u>(0.01)</u>	<u>(0.01)</u>	<u>(0.02)</u>	<u>(0.02)</u>

1) Consolidated statements for the three month periods ended March 31, 2015 and 2014:

- a) Revenue for the three month period ended March 31, 2015 decreased over the same period in 2013 due to a decrease in gold sales to 1,677 oz compared to 2,643 oz in the three month period ended March 31, 2014. The decrease was also due to a lower grade and an average price of gold of \$1,195 for the quarter ended March 31, 2015 (2014 - \$1,296).
- b) Operating expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2015 were \$3,203,000 compared to \$4,909,000 for the same period in 2014. The decrease of \$1,706,000 consists mainly of a reduction in labour costs and a revaluation of the Chilean pesos vs the US Dollar and lower fuel costs.
- c) General and administrative costs for the three months ended March 31, 2015 were \$557,000 compared to \$577,000 for the same period in 2014.

2) Consolidated statements for the six month period ended March 31, 2015 and 2014:

- a) Revenue for the six month period ended March 31, 2015 decreased over the same period in 2013 due to a decrease in gold sales to 3,499 oz compared to 5,201 oz in the six month period ended March 31, 2015. The decrease was also due to a lower grade and an average price of gold of \$1,183 for the quarter ended March 31, 2015 (2014 - \$1,319).
- b) Operating expenses for the six months ended March 31, 2015 were \$6,508,000 compared to \$9,699,000 for the same period in 2014. The decrease of \$3,191,000 consists mainly of a reduction in labour costs and a revaluation of the Chilean pesos vs the US Dollar and lower fuel, maintenance and other production costs.
- c) General and administrative costs for the six months ended March 31, 2015 were \$1,172,000 compared to \$1,347,000 for the same period in 2014, basically due to reduction in labour costs during the first quarter.

3) Consolidated Cash flow for the six month period ended March 31, 2015

Cash generated by the Pimenton Mine decreased due to lower gold grades, sales and prices in the quarter compared to the comparative quarter. Capital expenditures at the Pimenton Mine were \$86,000 for the six months ended March 31, 2015 (2014 - \$63,000).

Overview

The Company is an exploration, development and mining corporation focused in Chile. The Company's primary asset is an operating gold and copper mine in Chile (the "Pimenton Mine"). The Pimenton mine is a narrow high-grade gold and copper mine located in the high mountain range of Chile and encompasses 3,121 hectares (7,708 acres).

The Company's other major projects are a porphyry copper deposit (the "Pimenton Porphyry") and other projects in various stages of exploration and development in Chile which include "Santa Cecilia", "Tordillo", and two limestone deposits "Catedral" and "Cal Norte".

Operational Highlights

- Gold produced by the Pimenton Mine for the six months ended March 31 2015 was 3,499 oz compared to 5,200 oz produced in the same period for 2014
- Pimenton's cash cost for the six months ended March 31, 2015 was \$1,165 per ounce of gold produced net of by product credits, compared to \$777 per oz in the same period for 2014.
- Pimenton's production cost, which includes depreciation and amortization, for the six months ended March 31 2015, was \$1,531,000 per ounce of gold produced net of by product credit, compared to \$1,047,000 per oz in the same period for 2014
- The average gold recovery for the six months ended March 31 2015 was 93.0% compared to 93.10% in the same period for 2014
- The Company expects the mine to maintain milling rates of 120 tons per day depending on the rate of conversion of its known resources to reserves.
- Currently the plant has been permitted to operate at an average of 166 tons per day. The Company has prepared but not yet submitted permits to take the mine up to 500 tons per day.

Financial Highlights

- Loss before income taxes for the six months period ended March 31 2015 was \$2,847,000 compared to a loss of \$2,334,000 in the same period in 2014.
- Average price per ounce of gold sold for the six months ended March 31 2015 was \$1,195 (2014 - \$1,279).
- Net loss after income taxes for the six months ended March 31 2015 was \$2,847,000 compared to \$2,334,000 in the same period in 2014.
- Basic loss per share for the six months ended March 31 2015 was a loss of 0.01 cents per share (2014 – loss of 0.02).
- At March 31 2015, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$45,000 compared to \$87,000 at September 30, 2014.
- Cash flow provided by operating activities for the period ended March 31 2015 was negative \$634,000 (2014 – positive \$769,000).

Cerro Grande Mining Corporation is a minerals producing, exploration and development company with properties and activities currently focused in Chile.

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