

Orvana Begins Accelerated Repayment of EVBC Debt

- **Principal Balance of EVBC Loan Now US\$17.6 million – Down US\$19.8 million**
- **Debt Net of Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash Now US\$13.7 million**

Toronto, Ontario, July 17, 2014 - Kinbauri España S.L.U. (“Kinbauri”), a wholly-owned Spanish subsidiary of Orvana Minerals Corp. (TSX:ORV) (the “Company” or “Orvana”), has begun the accelerated repayment of its loan maturing November 30, 2014 (the “Restructured EVBC Loan”) relating to its El-Valle Boinás and Carlés Mines in Spain (the “EVBC Mines”) following the restructuring announced June 30, 2014. In July, month to date, Kinbauri has made repayments on its Restructured EVBC Loan from the proceeds of the sale of Copperwood in June, the release from restricted cash of certain monies and the closure of all derivatives instruments previously outstanding. Following a number of additional repayments to be made over the next five months, the balance payable at November 30, 2014, the maturity date, will be US\$8.075 million. Please refer to the table below.

Restructured EVBC Loan (US\$)	(thousands)
Principal balance outstanding – June 30, 2014	\$37,461
Less:	
Repayment July 2	(\$3,990)
Repayment from restricted cash and Copperwood proceeds ⁽¹⁾	(\$8,759)
Repayment from closure of derivatives ⁽²⁾	(\$7,098)
Principal balance outstanding – July 17, 2014	\$17,614
Less:	
Repayment for October 2 (in restricted cash at June 27)	(\$3,990)
Repayment for August 31 (from working capital)	(\$1,000)
Repayment on November 30 (from working capital – to be delivered as restricted cash Sept. 30)	(\$4,549)
Balance payable on November 30, 2014	\$8,075
Bolivian bank debt at July 17, 2014	\$7,392

(1) €5.0 million, held as restricted cash in the event an additional environmental reclamation bond was required under Spanish mining regulations, converted into US dollars and US\$2.0 million from Copperwood proceeds.

(2) All gold, copper and US dollars/EUR derivative instruments outstanding at July 11, 2014 were closed with the proceeds applied as a repayment of principal under the Restructured EVBC Loan.

Under the Restructured EVBC Loan certain financial covenants and non-compliance matters have been waived until November 30, 2014.

Orvana’s debt net of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash is now down to US\$13.7 million from US\$40.0 million at March 31, 2014.

Michael Winship, President and CEO of Orvana said, “Orvana’s management continues to focus on strengthening the Company’s balance sheet with debt repayment and is pleased to have achieved a number of milestones in July.”

About Orvana

Orvana Minerals is a multi-mine gold and copper producer. Orvana’s operating assets consist of El Valle-Boinás/Carlés gold-copper mines in northern Spain and the Don Mario copper-gold-silver mine in Bolivia. Additional information is available at Orvana’s website (www.orvana.com).

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