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For the Month of April 2004

AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED

By: /s/ DAVID GAROFALO

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Date: April 28, 2004

NEWS RELEASE

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AGNICO-EAGLE REPORTS RECORD QUARTERLY EARNINGS ON HIGHER GOLD PRICE AND RECORD LOW CASH COSTS

Toronto (April 28, 2004) **Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited** today announced a significant improvement in financial and operating results as it reported first quarter earnings of \$12.9 million, or \$0.15 per share compared to a net loss of \$6.2 million, or \$0.07 per share, in the first quarter of 2003. Operating cash flow in the quarter was \$20.8 million, or \$0.25 per share compared to a deficiency of \$0.6 million, or \$0.01 per share, in the prior year's first quarter.

Highlights for the quarter include:

Record quarterly earnings of \$12.9 million as LaRonde hits stride with record ore production and Company realizes full benefit of an 18% increase in realized gold prices.

Record low total cash costs of \$78 per ounce of gold produced, 68% improvement over prior year's first quarter, on 28% increase in gold production to 70,188 ounces and higher byproduct metal prices and production.

Underground program commenced at Goldex as Company continues to advance its regional growth strategy at Lapa and LaRonde II.

Strategic stake planned in Riddarhyttan Resources AB after quarter end will expose Agnico-Eagle to promising Abitibi-style gold camp in politically-safe and mining-friendly Finland.

"Our shareholders' patience has been rewarded as Agnico-Eagle began, in the first quarter, to realize the benefits of the nearly decade-long expansion program at LaRonde," said Sean Boyd, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Our growth strategy is now to leverage this valuable experience by applying our mine-finding and mine-building experience to our regional projects and new investment in Finland," added Mr. Boyd.

Conference Call Tomorrow

The Company will host a conference call on Thursday, April 29, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. (EST.). All those interested are invited to attend in person, by telephone or by webcast. To participate in the conference call, please dial (416) 640-4127. To ensure your participation, please call approximately five minutes prior to the scheduled start of the call. A live audio webcast of the call will be available on the Company's website at www.agnico-eagle.com. The replay phone number will be 1-877-289-8525, passcode 21031481#.

LaRonde Achieves Record Underground and Mill Performance

Record quarterly tonnage of over 742,000 tons of ore, or 8,154 tons per day, was hoisted from the underground operations at LaRonde in the first quarter. Performance improved steadily during the quarter as peak average levels were achieved in March when ore production from underground was 8,735 tons per day. Similarly, mill throughput also established a new record as over 689,000 tons of ore was processed averaging 7,574 tons per day and reaching peak average levels in March of 8,123 tons per day. As a result of the high underground ore production, the surface ore stockpile reached 64,000 tons by quarter end while onsite unit operating costs improved by 8% to C\$48 per ton, when compared to the first quarter of 2003.

Production of all metals in the first quarter improved when compared to the prior year's first quarter with gold production up 28% to 70,188 ounces while byproduct copper, zinc and silver production increased by 48%, 31% and 9%, respectively. As a result of the improvement in metals production, improved prices for all byproduct metals and the elimination of production royalties, total cash operating costs improved by 68% to \$78 per ounce of gold produced in the first quarter of 2004 as compared to the first quarter of 2003.

Please refer to the Summary Management Discussion and Analysis later in this press release for a discussion of the financial results.

As previously disclosed, LaRonde experienced two fatalities the first quarter. Agnico-Eagle deeply regrets the loss of an employee and a contractor in two separate incidents. LaRonde remains one of the safest mines in Quebec with a combined accident frequency index in the first quarter of 5.35 compared to the provincial mining industry average of 9.00. Nevertheless, the Company and all its employees continue with a focused effort to improve workplace safety.

Deep Drilling at LaRonde Continues to Indicate Higher Grade Core

Seven drills were in operation during the first quarter located in the following target areas:

Three drills on the LaRonde II exploration program below Level 215.

Two drills on definition/delineation drilling on the Level 215 mining horizon.

One drill on the Level 194 mining horizon.

One drill on the Level 152 mining horizon.

A total of 41,559 feet of diamond drilling was completed during the quarter.

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On **deep exploration**, three drills tested Zone 20 North below the bottom of the Penna Shaft with the most recent results highlighted as follows:

Drill Hole	True Thickness(ft)	From	To	Gold(oz/ton) Cut(1.5 oz)	Silver(oz/ton)	Copper(%)	Zinc(%)
3215-77*	9.2	2,478.3	2,492.4	0.06	0.03	0.01	0.01
3215-78	64.6	2,280.8	2,368.1	0.13	0.11	0.22	0.01
3215-79	12.1	1,788.0	1801.5	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.05
3215-72A	85.0	2,903.5	3,010.8	0.21	0.17	0.23	0.02
3215-83*	40.0	3,357.9	3,406.5	0.17	0.18	0.15	0.01
3215-84*	52.5	2,431.8	2,501.6	0.18	0.44	0.25	0.01

*preliminary results

The best result was obtained in 3215-72A which continued to confirm the presence of a higher grade core. This is significant because a higher grade core could significantly improve the economics of any deep mining scenario envisaged for LaRonde II. The Level 215 exploration drift advanced a further 575 feet in the first quarter. The heading is currently 950 feet to the east of the LaRonde-Bousquet property boundary and should cross the boundary in the second quarter.

Regional Project Update

At **Bousquet/Ellison**, located immediately to the west of LaRonde, drill hole D04-2777 encountered two 10 foot mineralized horizons corresponding to the Bousquet and LaRonde's Zone 20 North horizons. No significant gold values were encountered but the drill hole encountered a broad biotized alteration zone approximately 200 feet thick containing 5% to 30% pink garnets. Historically, intense garnet biotite alteration has been indicative of massive sulfide mineralization in the immediate vicinity. A drill hole survey was completed and indicated that the drill hole had deviated approximately 600 feet further west than originally planned and 1,300 feet above previously disclosed LaRonde drill hole 3215-68A, which had encountered 0.19 ounces of gold per ton over 45.9 feet and included 2.21 ounces per ton silver, 0.61% copper and 1.87% zinc. A second drill hole is presently in progress from LaRonde's Level 215 exploration drift and is targeted approximately 600 feet to the west of 3215-68A but at the same depth.

At **Goldex**, located 35 miles east of LaRonde, dewatering of the underground workings commenced in preparation for a bulk sample. At the end of the quarter, the water was down to a depth of 1,085 feet. The shaft bottom is at a depth of 2,610 feet. Shaft rehabilitation was completed to a depth of 750 feet. A bulk sample from three vertical slot raises plus additional diamond drilling will be completed over the course of 2004. The bulk sample is expected to be processed in the first quarter of 2005. The Goldex deposit has probable gold reserves of 1.6 million ounces.

At **Lapa**, located 7 miles east of LaRonde, drilling continued with respect to defining the limits of the Contact Zone deposit using five surface drills. The most recent drilling results have defined the economic western limit down to a depth of 3,600 feet. The deposit remains otherwise open for expansion. Drill hole 118-04-52B was recently completed 600 feet east of Lapa's reserve envelope returning (based on preliminary assays) 0.20 ounces of gold per ton over a true width of 9.8 feet, indicating a possible eastern extension. A second machine is testing the Contact Zone at a depth of 3,000 feet also along the eastern margin of the deposit. Two machines are currently testing the deposit at depths of 3,600 feet and 4,000 feet, respectively. It is expected that the deepest drill holes on the Contact Zone should reach the target area in the second quarter. The fifth machine is currently testing the eastern portion of the property at a depth of 3,000 feet below surface.

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A contract was awarded to the Redpath Group in the quarter to evaluate three underground development options that could allow an exploration phase and which could be converted to preproduction if drilling and development results were positive. Tenders for engineering and development are in the process of preparation with bids expected in the second quarter. Lapa has probable gold reserves of 1.2 million ounces.

Strategic Investment in New Abitibi-Style Camp in Finland

As previously announced, Agnico-Eagle agreed to purchase, for approximately \$10.8 million, a 14.1% stake (including shares already owned) in Riddarhyttan Resources AB (Riddarhyttan) from its largest shareholder, a transaction expected to close in the middle of May. Riddarhyttan is the 100% owner of the Suurikuusikko gold deposit, located approximately 550 miles north of Helsinki near the town of Kittilä in Finnish Lapland. Riddarhyttan's property position in the Suurikuusikko area consists of 22 contiguous claims (approximately 4,261 acres) with similar Precambrian greenstone belt geology and topography to Agnico-Eagle's land package in the Abitibi region of Quebec.

In late 2002, Riddarhyttan reported an indicated mineral resource at Suurikuusikko, made up of several zones that occur over a 2.5 mile structure, of 1.29 million ounces of gold, consisting of 7.2 million tons grading 0.18 ounces of gold per ton. An additional 0.72 million ounces of inferred gold resource also exists, consisting of 5.5 million tons grading 0.13 ounces of gold per ton. Since then, Riddarhyttan has conducted extensive diamond drilling within the Suurikuusikko deposit (58 holes for approximately 45,400 feet). The aim of this program was to test the deeper portions of the deposit (at depths up to 1,640 feet) and also transfer inferred resources into indicated resources in a sector interpreted to be potentially mineable by open pit. The results of the program reportedly confirm the continuity, grades and thickness of the gold mineralization both on strike and at depth and will likely lead to an enhancement of the mineral resource.

About the Suurikuusikko Gold Resource

The mineral resource estimate reported herein for Suurikuusikko was prepared for Riddarhyttan in accordance with the Australasian Code for Reporting Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves, September 1999 (JORC Code). Mineral resources that have been disclosed herein were estimated using a minimum gold grade cut-off of approximately 0.064 ounces of gold per ton. For further details please refer to the press release dated December 12th, 2002 and titled "Riddarhyttan Resources AB: New resource estimate shows more than 2 million ounces gold in the Suurikuusikko deposit in Finland" that is available on their website www.riddarhyttan.se. Mineral resource estimates prepared under reporting codes other than National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") should not be relied upon as they may not conform to NI 43-101 standards and definitions. However, reserve and resource categories in the JORC Code are substantially similar to the corresponding categories of mineral reserves and resources required under NI 43-101. To the best of Agnico's knowledge, the Riddarhyttan estimate is relevant and reliable.

Join Us for Our Annual Meeting

Please join us for our 2004 Annual and Special Meeting of Common Shareholders on **Friday, May 28, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. (EST.)**. The meeting will be held at the Toronto Hilton Hotel, Toronto I Room, 145 Richmond Street West, Toronto, Canada. In addition to discussing our operating performance, we will provide a comprehensive presentation concerning our development and exploration projects during the meeting. For those unable to attend in person, the meeting will be webcast on the Company's website www.agnico-eagle.com

Where to Find Maps

The longitudinal illustrations that detail the drill results presented in this news release can be viewed and downloaded from the Company's website www.agnico-eagle.com (*Press Release*) or:

LaRonde Bousquet Longitudinal 20 North:

<http://ir.thomsonfn.com/IRUploads/10493/FileUpload/LaRonde%20Bousquet%20Long20N-28-Apr-04%20.pdf>

Lapa Drilling Program:

<http://ir.thomsonfn.com/IRUploads/10493/FileUpload/Lapa%20Drilling%20Program-28-Apr-04.pdf>

Abitibi Regional Property Plan:

<http://ir.thomsonfn.com/IRUploads/10493/FileUploadPreview/Abitibi%20Regional%20Property%20Plan-24-Apr-04.pdf>

Scientific and Technical Data

A qualified person, Guy Gosselin, P.Eng., P.Geo., LaRonde Division's Chief Geologist, has verified the LaRonde and Bousquet/Ellison exploration information disclosed in this news release. The verification procedures, the quality assurance program and quality control procedures used in preparing such data may be found in the 2004 Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve Report, Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited, LaRonde Division, dated March 26, 2004, filed on SEDAR.

All Lapa drill core has been logged and the results have been verified by Dino Lombardi, P.Geo., Senior Geologist for the Company's Exploration Division and who is fully qualified per the standards outlined in National Instrument 43-101. The drill core selected for analysis is sawed in half with one half sent to a commercial laboratory and the other half retained for future reference. Upon reception of the assay results, the pulps and rejects are recovered and submitted to a second laboratory for check-assay purposes. The gold assaying method uses a 30-gram sample by Fire Assays or Metallic Sieve finish as requested by the project geologist. The laboratories used are Bourlamaque Assay Laboratories Ltd., Val d'Or, Quebec, and Expert Laboratories Inc., Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec. Results that have been reported as 'preliminary' do not have complete check-assay data available; the final results, that will include check-assays, are not expected to vary significantly from the preliminary results.

Forward Looking Statements

This news release contains certain "forward-looking statements" (within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) that involve a number of risks and uncertainties. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate; actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Risks and uncertainties are disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Information Form (AIF) filed with certain Canadian securities regulators (including the Ontario and Quebec Securities Commissions) and with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (as Form 20-F).

About Agnico-Eagle

Agnico-Eagle is a long established Canadian gold producer with operations located in northwestern Quebec and exploration and development activities in eastern Canada and the southwestern United States. Agnico-Eagle's LaRonde Mine in Quebec is Canada's largest gold deposit. The Company has full exposure to higher gold prices consistent with its policy of no forward gold sales. It has paid a cash dividend for 24 consecutive years.

QUARTERLY SUMMARY MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS UNITED STATES GAAP*(all figures are expressed in US dollars unless otherwise noted)***Results of Operations**

Agnico-Eagle reported first quarter net income of \$12.9 million, or \$0.15 cents per share, compared to a net loss of \$6.2 million, or \$0.07 cents per share, in the first quarter of 2003. Gold production in the first quarter of 2004 was 70,188 ounces compared to 55,005 ounces in the first quarter of 2003. The increased production was a result of operational improvements over the first quarter of 2003 and the implementation of a more focused mining plan.

The table below summarizes the key variances in net income for the first quarter of 2004 from the net loss reported for the same period in 2003.

(millions of dollars)	First Quarter
Increase in gold production	\$ 5.3
Elimination of El Coco royalty	4.1
Increase in gold price	4.0
Increase in net copper revenue	4.0
Increase in net zinc revenue	2.9
Increase in net silver revenue	2.7
Stronger Canadian dollar, net of hedges	(2.5)
Cost of increased ore throughput	(1.4)
Net positive variance	\$ 19.1

As shown in the table above, revenues from all metals benefited from increased production and increased metal prices. Net copper and zinc revenues benefited from increased production and metal prices but these benefits were partially offset by increased smelting and refining charges attributable to the increase in production of these metals. In all, revenues from mining operations increased by 61% to \$48.6 million in the first quarter of 2004 as compared to the prior year's first quarter. Net income was also positively affected by the elimination of the El Coco royalty as that area of the mine is essentially mined out.

In the first quarter of 2004 total cash operating costs per ounce decreased significantly to \$78 per ounce of gold produced from \$243 per ounce in the first quarter of 2003. The main drivers leading to the decrease in total cash operating costs were higher gold production, higher net byproduct revenue resulting from increased production and higher byproduct metal prices, and the elimination of the El Coco royalty. Operating costs per ton decreased to C\$48 in the first quarter of 2004 compared to C\$52 in the first quarter of 2003 due mainly to the mill achieving record quarterly tonnage of 689,202 tons in the first quarter of 2004.

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The following table provides a reconciliation of the total cash operating costs per ounce of gold produced to the financial statements:

(thousands of dollars, except where noted)	Q1 2004	Q1 2003
Cost of production per Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss)	\$ 24,141	\$ 24,347
Adjustments:		
Byproduct revenues	(18,210)	(11,379)
El-Coco royalty		(4,075)
Inventory adjustment ⁽ⁱ⁾	(294)	508
Non cash reclamation provision	(131)	(105)
Cash operating costs	\$ 5,506	\$ 9,296
Gold production (ounces)	70,188	55,005
Cash operating cost (per ounce)	\$ 78	\$ 169
El Coco royalty (per ounce)		74
Total cash operating costs (per ounce) ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	\$ 78	\$ 243

Notes:

- (i) Under the Company's revenue recognition policy, revenue is recognized on concentrates when legal title passes. Since total cash operating costs are calculated on a production basis, this adjustment reflects the portion of concentrate production for which revenue has not been recognized in the period.
- (ii) Total cash operating cost data is not a recognized measure under US GAAP. Management uses this generally accepted industry measure in evaluating operating performance and believes it to be a realistic indication of such performance. The data also indicates the Company's ability to generate cash flow and operating earnings at various gold prices. This additional information should be considered together with other data prepared in accordance with US GAAP.

As previously disclosed, Agnico-Eagle expects to produce 300,000 ounces of gold in 2004. However, given sharply higher than expected byproduct metal prices, the Company expects total cash operating costs per ounce to be substantially lower than the previous guidance provided of \$155 to \$165. This estimate was based on byproduct price assumptions of \$5.00 per ounce silver, \$0.40 per pound zinc, \$0.85 per pound copper and a C\$/US\$ exchange rate of \$1.30. The projected sensitivity of the full year total cash operating cost estimate to changes in metal prices and exchange rates follows:

Variable	Impact on total cash operating costs (\$/oz.)
\$0.10 in C\$/US\$	25
\$0.50/oz. in silver	10
\$0.05/lb. in zinc	16
\$0.10/lb. in copper	7

In the first quarter of 2004, we accrued income taxes at an income tax rate of 8.2%. This rate was reduced from the statutory rate of approximately 38% due to the utilization of previously unrecognized tax assets. The Company expects to utilize all its previously unrecognized tax assets in 2004. As a result, the Company expects to accrue a total tax provision of approximately 25% for the entire year. The Company does not expect to pay cash income and mining taxes in 2004 however accrues deferred income and mining taxes to reflect the drawdown of tax pools.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At March 31 2004, Agnico-Eagle's consolidated cash and cash equivalents were \$106 million while working capital was \$153 million. At December 31, 2003, the Company had \$110 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$141 million in working capital. The Company currently has \$100 million in undrawn credit lines and expects to have an additional \$25 million available in the fourth quarter of 2004 once certain completion tests are satisfied in connection with the LaRonde expansion to 7,000 tons per day.

Cash flow from operating activities, before working capital changes, was \$20.8 million in the first quarter of 2004 compared to a deficiency of \$0.6 million in the first quarter of 2003. Operating cash flow was positively impacted by higher gold production and increased gold and byproduct metal prices partially offset by a stronger Canadian dollar. This positive operating cash flow was partially offset by a buildup in metal settlements receivable and ore inventories. The buildup in metal settlements receivable is expected to gradually reverse over the course of 2004.

For the three months ended March 31, 2004, capital expenditures were \$10.2 million compared to \$10.8 million in the first quarter of 2003. Capital expenditures at the LaRonde mine decreased to \$7.5 million from \$10.5 million in the first quarter of 2003. The capital expenditures in the first quarter of 2004 represent sustaining capital and the final construction costs for Phase I of LaRonde's water treatment facility and bulk air cooling plant. The remainder of the capital expenditures in the first quarter of 2004 represents continued expenditures for the Company's regional projects, namely Lapa, Goldex and LaRonde II, all of which have met the requirement for capitalization under US GAAP.

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SUMMARIZED QUARTERLY DATA

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, except where noted, US GAAP basis)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
Consolidated Financial Data		
Income and cash flow		
<i>LaRonde Division</i>		
Revenues from mining operations	\$ 48,604	\$ 30,112
Mine operating costs	24,141	24,347
Mine operating profit	\$ 24,463	\$ 5,765
Net income (loss) for period	\$ 12,909	\$ (6,237)
Net income (loss) per share	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.07)
Operating cash flow (before non-cash working capital)	\$ 20,822	\$ (577)
Weighted average number of shares basic (in thousands)	84,525	83,725
Tons of ore milled	689,202	602,633
Head grades:		
Gold (oz. per ton)	0.11	0.10
Silver (oz. per ton)	2.30	2.44
Zinc	3.90%	3.55%
Copper	0.55%	0.45%
Recovery rates:		
Gold	92.19%	91.66%
Silver	84.93%	83.80%
Zinc	81.81%	78.20%
Copper	79.94%	79.10%
Payable production:		
Gold (ounces)	70,188	55,005
Silver (ounces in thousands)	1,128	1,036
Zinc (pounds in thousands)	36,647	27,964
Copper (pounds in thousands)	5,840	3,956
Realized prices per unit of production:		
Gold (per ounce)	\$ 412	\$ 350
Silver (per ounce)	\$ 6.72	\$ 4.70
Zinc (per pound)	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.35
Copper (per pound)	\$ 1.25	\$ 0.76
Onsite operating costs per ton milled (Canadian dollars)	\$ 48	\$ 52
Operating costs per gold ounce produced:		
Onsite operating costs (including asset retirement expenses)	\$ 358	\$ 419
Less: Non-cash asset retirement expenses	(2)	(2)
Foreign exchange and byproduct metals hedge gains	(14)	(41)
Net byproduct revenues	(264)	(207)
Cash operating costs	\$ 78	\$ 169

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	Three months ended March 31,	
Accrued El Coco royalties		74
Total cash costs	\$ 78	\$ 243
Non-cash costs:		
Reclamation provision	2	2
Amortization	80	82
Total operating costs	\$ 160	\$ 327

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(thousands of United States dollars, US GAAP basis)

	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
	(Unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 106,187	\$ 110,365
Metals awaiting settlement	42,417	34,570
Income taxes recoverable	8,655	7,539
Inventories:		
Ore stockpiles	8,449	6,557
In-process concentrates	1,052	1,346
Supplies	6,349	6,276
Prepaid expenses and other	7,785	10,363
Total current assets	180,894	177,016
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	6,472	7,573
Investments and other assets	10,792	11,214
Future income and mining tax assets	42,208	41,579
Mining properties	404,330	399,719
	\$ 644,696	\$ 637,101
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 26,609	\$ 29,915
Dividends payable	750	3,327
Interest payable	798	3,161
Total current liabilities	28,157	36,403
Long-term debt	143,750	143,750
Asset retirement obligation and other liabilities	15,651	15,377
Future income and mining tax liabilities	43,434	40,848
Shareholders' Equity		
Common shares		
Authorized unlimited		
Issued 84,596,533 (2003 84,469,804)	602,717	601,305
Warrants	15,732	15,732
Contributed surplus	7,181	7,181
Stock-based compensation	209	
Deficit	(205,146)	(218,055)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(6,989)	(5,440)

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	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
Total shareholders' equity	413,704	400,723
	\$ 644,696	\$ 637,101

Note: Certain items have been reclassified from financial statements previously presented to conform to the current presentation.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS) AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, except per share amounts, US GAAP basis)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
REVENUES		
Revenues from mining operations	\$ 48,604	\$ 30,112
Interest and sundry income	205	641
	48,809	30,753
COSTS AND EXPENSES		
Production	24,141	24,347
Exploration and corporate development	290	1,472
Equity loss in junior exploration company	289	
Amortization	5,582	4,517
General and administrative	1,799	1,467
Provincial capital tax	455	489
Interest	1,757	2,217
Foreign currency loss (gain)	139	(217)
Income (loss) before income, mining and federal capital taxes	14,357	(3,539)
Federal capital tax	266	325
Income and mining tax expense	1,182	630
Income (loss) before cumulative catch-up adjustment	12,909	(4,494)
Cumulative catch-up adjustment relating to asset retirement obligations		(1,743)
Net income (loss) for the period	\$ 12,909	\$ (6,237)
Net income (loss) before cumulative catch-up adjustment per share basic and diluted	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.05)
Cumulative catch-up adjustment per share basic and diluted		(0.02)
Net income (loss) per share basic and diluted	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.07)
Weighted average number of shares (in thousands)		
basic	84,525	83,725
diluted	85,051	83,725
Comprehensive income (loss):		
Net income (loss) for the period	\$ 12,909	\$ (6,237)
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Unrealized gain on hedging activities	185	3,227
Unrealized gain (loss) on available for sale securities	(442)	135
Adjustments for derivative instruments maturing during the period	(784)	
Adjustments for realized gains on available-for-sale securities due to dispositions in the period	(508)	

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	Three months ended March 31,	
<i>Other comprehensive income (loss)</i>	(1,549)	3,362
<i>Comprehensive income (loss) for the period</i>	\$ 11,360	\$ (2,875)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF DEFICIT AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, except per share amounts, US GAAP basis)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
Deficit		
Balance, beginning of period	\$ (218,055)	\$ (196,023)
Net income (loss) for the period	12,909	(6,237)
Balance, end of period	\$ (205,146)	\$ (202,260)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		
Balance, beginning of period	\$ (5,440)	\$ (21,166)
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period	(1,549)	3,362
Balance, end of period	\$ (6,989)	\$ (17,804)

Note: Certain items have been reclassified from financial statements previously presented to conform to the current presentation.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, US GAAP basis)

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
Operating activities		
Net income (loss) for the period	\$ 12,909	\$ (6,237)
Add (deduct) items not affecting cash from operating activities:		
Amortization	5,582	4,517
Provision for future income and mining taxes	1,957	1,326
Unrealized (gain) loss on derivative contracts	216	(2,270)
Cumulative catch-up adjustment related to asset retirement obligations		1,743
Amortization of deferred costs and other	158	344
Cash flow from (used in) operations, before working capital changes	20,822	(577)
Change in non-cash working capital balances		
Metals awaiting settlement	(7,847)	4,119
Income taxes recoverable	(1,116)	(395)
Inventories	(1,671)	(823)
Prepaid expenses and other	1,700	571
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(3,306)	(670)
Interest payable	(2,363)	(1,613)
Cash flows from operating activities	6,219	612
Investing activities		
Additions to mining properties	(10,223)	(10,837)
Increase in investments and other	842	(188)
Cash flows used in investing activities	(9,381)	(11,025)
Financing activities		
Dividends paid	(2,480)	(2,431)
Common shares issued	1,412	1,195
Cash flows used in financing activities	(1,068)	(1,236)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	52	(47)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(4,178)	(11,696)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	110,365	152,934
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 106,187	\$ 141,238

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Other operating cash flow information:

<i>Interest paid during the period</i>	\$ 3,113	\$ 3,602
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Capital taxes paid during the period

\$ 1,161	\$
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Note: Certain items have been reclassified from financial statements previously presented to conform to the current presentation.

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