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## BRALORNE-PIONEER GOLD MINES LTD. [BPN-V]

### AVINO MINES & RESOURCES LTD.

[AVO-V] 16,767,573 SHS.

DIAMOND DRILLING UNDERWAY - Louis Wolfen, director, Avino  
Mines & Resources Ltd. and

Bralorne-Pioneer Gold Mines Ltd. jointly report diamond drilling  
has started on the Bralorne property. The property, located near  
Gold Bridge in southern B.C., is held by Avino, with Bralorne-  
Pioneer holding an option to earn up to a 50% interest.

A minimum contract for 5,000 feet of diamond drilling has  
begun in the Peter Vein and the newly discovered parallel vein  
known as the Big Solly. The program will also test downward  
extensions of two new veins discovered in the fall of 1993 on the  
northeast side of the Fergusson Fault.

Avino began its exploration of the Bralorne Pioneer vein  
system after acquiring 100% interest in the King, Bralorne, and  
Pioneer Mines in 1991. Jointly these mines produced over  
4,500,000 ounces of gold, annual production was over 100,000  
ounces. In 1971 the operations closed down due to low gold prices.

Between 1991 and 1989, the previous operators focused on  
developing reserves in the central Bralorne-Pioneer mines area,  
blocking out over 1,000,000 tons grading 0.27 oz.gold/ton.

In 1991, Avino discovered the Peter and Milchuk veins - both of  
which contained high gold grades and material identical to that of the  
adjoining King Mine, which was the richest of the Bralorne project's  
three operations. Values in trenches ranged as high as 2.90  
oz.gold/ton over a width of 9.4 feet. Avino drifted along the Peter  
Vein, encountering a 215-foot section grading 0.38 oz.gold/ton  
over 3.4 feet, including a 105-foot section grading 0.611 oz/ton.

In 1993, a trenching program conducted by Bralorne-Pioneer  
produced results ranging as high as 0.464 oz.gold/ton over a width  
of 4 feet and 0.367 oz.gold/ton over 7 feet. This work followed an  
extensive program of mapping and geochemical soil sampling  
conducted to locate extensions of the Peter and Millchuk vein  
systems.

During the past year, Avino has been working towards  
obtaining a mine development permit. In July 1994, Avino,  
through its independent consultants, Hallam Knight Piesold Ltd.,  
submitted to the B.C.Provincial government a formal application for  
a Mine Development Certificate for the Bralorne Gold Project. (SEE  
GCNL NO.170, 6Sept94, P.5 FOR PREVIOUS INFORMATION)

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