



Wesdome Announces 2019 Third Quarter Financial Results

TORONTO, Nov. 06, 2019 -- Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd. (TSX: WDO) (“Wesdome” or the “Company”) today announces third quarter (“Q3 2019”) financial results. All figures are stated in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

Mr. Duncan Middlemiss, President and CEO commented, “In Q3, cash costs of \$815 (US\$618) per ounce were relatively flat over the previous quarter (\$837 of US\$626 per ounce). All-in sustaining costs of \$1,344 (US\$1,018) per ounce were higher than those incurred in Q2 (\$1,220 or US\$912 per ounce) due to a \$4 million investment, or \$168 (US\$128) per ounce into the tailings management facility. This project will provide for an additional 4 years capacity at current mill feed. Despite our higher sustaining, project, and exploration expenditures during the quarter, the company was able to generate \$9.2 million in free cash flow, thereby resulting in a cash position at the end of the quarter of \$38.6 million.”

“Due to continued superb performance of the 303 Lens, we have increased 2019 guidance from 72,000 – 80,000 ounces to 88,000 to 93,000 ounces, with 70,356 ounces produced to the third quarter. Recent exploration results have extended the 303 Lens 300 metres down plunge where it remains open. Year to date cost of \$838 (US\$630) per ounce cash costs and \$1,290 (US\$970 per ounce AISC are both at the low end of cost guidance of \$830 - \$900 (US\$640 - \$US690) an ounce on cash costs per ounce and \$1,280 - \$1,350 (US\$985 – 1,040) an ounce on AISC. We expect ounce production in the fourth quarter to be in the 19,000 – 22,000 range as we plan to process some of the Mishi stockpile.”

“At Kiena, we released an updated Resource Estimate in September which substantially increased the Kiena Deep A Zone grade, and indicated and inferred resource ounces. The Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) is well underway and we expect to complete the study in Q1 2020. We are half way completed on the 790 metre level drift to further test the up plunge of the A Zone. Once completed, we will have one drill stationed there and expect to release results in the first half of 2020.”

Key operating and financial highlights of the Q3 2019 results include:

1. Gold production of 28,910 ounces from the Eagle River Complex, a 46% increase over the same period in the previous year (Q3 2018: 19,795 ounces):
 - Eagle River Underground 39,453 tonnes at a head grade of 23.4 grams per tonne (“g/t Au”) for 28,894 ounces produced, 49% increase over the previous year (Q3 2018: 19,437 ounces).
 - Mishi Open Pit 204 tonnes at a head grade of 2.8 g/t Au for 15 ounces produced (Q3 2018: 358 ounces).
 2. Revenue of \$45.9 million, a 59% increase over the previous year (Q3 2018: \$28.9 million).
 3. Ounces sold 23,450 at an average sales price of \$1,957/oz (Q3 2018: 18,401 ounces at an average price of \$1,571/oz).
 4. Cash costs¹ of \$815/oz or US\$618/oz, neutral over the same period in 2018 (Q3 2018: \$815/oz or US\$624/oz).
 5. All-in sustaining costs (“AISC”) ¹ of \$1,344/oz or US\$1,018/oz, a 16% increase over the same period in 2018 (Q3 2018: \$1,160/oz or US\$888/oz), due to the investment in the tailings management facility at the Eagle River Mine in 2019.
 6. Earned mine profit¹ of \$26.8 million, a 93% increase over Q3 2018 (Q3 2018 - \$13.9 million).
 7. Operating cash flow of \$27.3 million or \$0.20 per share¹ as compared to \$12.8 million or \$0.10 per share for the same period in 2018.
 8. Free cash flow of \$9.2 million, net of an investment of \$5.9 million in Kiena, or \$0.07 per share¹ (Q3 2018: free cash flow of \$2.1 million or \$0.02 per share).
 9. Net income and Net income (adjusted)¹ of \$12.4 million or \$0.09 per share (Q3 2018: \$3.6 million or \$0.03 per share).
 10. Cash position increased to \$38.6 million compared to \$27.4 million in the previous quarter.
1. Refer to the Company’s 2019 Second Quarter Management Discussion and Analysis, section entitled “Non-IFRS Performance Measures” for the reconciliation of these non-IFRS measurements to the financial statements.

Q3 2019 HIGHLIGHTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Operations and Financial Highlights	Comparison to Q3 2018
Gold production of 28,910 ounces from the Eagle River Complex.	Gold production increased by 46% (Q3 2018 – 19,795 ounces). YTD gold production of 70,356 ounces, an increase of 29% when compared to YTD 2018 production of 54,371 ounces.
Cash costs of \$815 (US\$618) per ounce of gold sold 1.	Cash costs in Canadian dollars remained consistent (Q3 2018 - \$815 (US\$624) per ounce).
AISC 1 of \$1,344 (US\$1,018) per ounce.	AISC increased by 16% (Q3 2018 - \$1,160 (US\$888) per ounce) due to \$4.0 million or \$168 (US\$128) per ounce spent on the tailings

	management area (“TMA”) at Eagle River.
Earned mine profit 1 of \$26.8 million.	An increase of \$12.9 million or 93% when compared to \$13.9 million generated in Q3 2018.
Operating cash flow of \$27.3 million or \$0.20 per share 1.	Operating cash flow at a strong level at \$27.3 million for the quarter as a result of higher production and the increase in cash from working capital changes (Q3 2018 - \$12.8 million or \$0.10 per share).
Free cash flow of \$9.2 million or \$0.07 per share¹.	Eagle River generated free cash flow of \$9.2 million for the quarter, net of an investment of \$5.9 million in Kiena and \$4.0 million spent on the TMA at Eagle River in the quarter. Free cash flow in Q3 2018 was \$2.1 million or \$0.02 per share.
Net income attributable to shareholders of \$12.4 million or \$0.09 per share. Adjusted net income¹ of \$12.4 million or \$0.09 per share	A delivery of strong net earnings and Adjusted net earnings in the quarter as a result of strong production performance and increasing gold prices. Net income and Adjusted net income ¹ for Q3 2018 was \$3.6 million or \$0.03 per share, respectively.

1. Refer to the section entitled “Non-IFRS Performance Measures” for the reconciliation of these non-IFRS measurements to the Financial Statements.

Production and Exploration Highlights	Achievements
Eagle River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mining of the 303 Zone between the second up to the fourth sub-level above the 844 metre level ("m-level") continued in Q3 2019 and confirmed the continuity of the strong grades and the geometry of the mineralized zone. A new mining horizon in the 303 Zone is being developed between the 884 m-level and the 925 m-level. The development work is scheduled in Q4 this year in preparation for production in 2020. • Exploration drilling continued on the 925 m-level to prepare the 303 Lens zone for mining. The 303 Lens, initially defined from the 750 m-level to 1,000 m-level has now been extended an additional 300 m down plunge to the 1,300 m-level, while continuing to illustrate above average widths and grades. • Ongoing drilling and initial drift development along the 311 W Zone have confirmed the continuity and strike length of 145 m grading 28.8 g/t Au with a 1.8 m average width and has extended the mineralized zone 50 m further west than the previously interpreted diorite contact and remains a focus for 2019 drilling. • Surface drilling in the volcanics to the west of the mine diorite encountered the Falcon 7 and Falcon 300 zones, with one drill hole returning 18.5 g/t Au over 5.8 m core length. These zones are interpreted to be extensions of the 300 and 7 zone structures which lie approximately 200 m to the east within the mine diorite.
Kiena	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On September 25, 2019, Wesdome announced an updated Mineral Resource Estimate including drill data as of August 6, 2019. Highlights include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Increased Kiena Deep A Zone Indicated resources from 99,300 to 405,100 ounces (ii) Increased Kiena Deep A Zone Inferred resources from 241,100 ounces to 332,000 ounces (iii) Increased Kiena Deep A Zone Indicated resource grade from 9.95 g/t Au to 18.55 g/t Au (iv) Increased proportion of Indicated resources to over 50% in the A Zone (versus 30% previously in A Zone). • Four drills continue to operate on the 1050 m-level exploration ramp completing the infill and immediate plunge extension drilling of the Kiena Deep A Zone. Meanwhile a 5th drill is located on the 670 m-level and continues to return high grade intersections along the interpreted-up plunge extension of the Kiena Deep A Zone towards the VC zone area with one hole returning 31.1 g/t Au over 5.1 metres. It is now interpreted that A Zone is folded as it extends up plunge to intersect the VC6 zone.

- Our 2019 underground exploration program calls for 50,000 m of drilling. This information will then lead into a Preliminary Economic Assessment expected in Q1 2020 and next steps will be determined at that juncture.
- The development of an exploration drift on 790m level started during the quarter and will be completed early in December to better explore the up plunge extension of the A Zone between the 670 m-level and 1050 m-level.

Technical Disclosure

The technical content of this release has been compiled, reviewed and approved by Marc-Andre Pelletier, P. Eng, Chief Operating Officer, and Michael Michaud, P.Geo., Vice President, Exploration of the Company and each a "Qualified Person" as defined in National Instrument 43-101 - *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects*.

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ABOUT WESDOME

Wesdome Gold Mines has had over 30 years of continuous gold mining operations in Canada. The Company is 100% Canadian focused with a pipeline of projects in various stages of development. The Company’s strategy is to build Canada’s next mid-tier gold producer, producing 200,000+ ounces from two mines in Ontario and Quebec. The Eagle River Complex in Wawa, Ontario is currently producing gold from two mines, the Eagle River Underground Mine and the Mishi Open pit, from a central mill. Wesdome is actively exploring its brownfields asset, the Kiena Complex in Val d’Or, Quebec. The Kiena Complex is a fully permitted former mine with a 930-metre shaft and 2,000 tonne-per-day mill. The Company has further upside at its Moss Lake gold deposit, located 100 kilometres west of Thunder Bay, Ontario. The Company has approximately 137.2 million shares issued and outstanding and trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol “WDO”.

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Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.
Summarized Operating and Financial Data

(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars, except per share and per unit amounts and otherwise indicated)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30		September 30	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Operating data				
Milling (tonnes)				
Eagle River	39,453	46,777	99,148	134,635
Mishi	204	4,076	37,297	62,155
Throughput 2	39,657	50,854	136,445	196,790
Head grades (g/t)				
Eagle River	23.4	13.3	21.9	12.2
Mishi	2.8	3.4	2.6	2.3
Recovery (%)				
Eagle River	97.6	96.9	97.2	96.2
Mishi	85.5	80.9	83.3	82.5
Production (ounces)				
Eagle River	28,894	19,437	67,723	50,602
Mishi	15	358	2,633	3,769
Total gold produced 2	28,910	19,795	70,356	54,371
Total gold sales (ounces)	23,450	18,401	66,323	52,404
Eagle River Complex (per ounce of gold sold) 1				
Average realized price	\$ 1,957	\$ 1,571	\$ 1,819	\$ 1,651
Cash costs	815	815	838	894
Cash margin	\$ 1,142	\$ 756	\$ 981	\$ 757
All-in Sustaining Costs 1	\$ 1,344	\$ 1,160	\$ 1,290	\$ 1,243
Average 1 USD → CAD exchange rate	1.3204	1.3070	1.3292	1.2878
Cash costs per ounce of gold sold (US\$) 1	\$ 618	\$ 624	\$ 630	\$ 695
All-in Sustaining Costs (US\$) 1	\$ 1,018	\$ 888	\$ 970	\$ 965
Financial Data				
Mine profit 1	\$ 26,770	\$ 13,898	\$ 65,084	\$ 39,629
Net income	\$ 12,449	\$ 3,631	\$ 28,868	\$ 12,215
Net income adjusted 1	\$ 12,449	\$ 3,631	\$ 26,499	\$ 12,215
Operating cash flow	\$ 27,275	\$ 12,823	\$ 55,256	\$ 37,668
Free cash flow 1	\$ 9,199	\$ 2,137	\$ 9,925	\$ 7,315
Per share data				
Net income	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.09
Adjusted net earnings 1	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.09
Operating cash flow 1	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.28
Free cash flow 1	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.05

Notes

1. Refer to the Company's 2019 Third Quarter Management Discussion and Analysis, section entitled "Non-IFRS Performance Measures" for the reconciliation of these non-IFRS measurements to the financial statements.
2. Totals for tonnage and gold ounces information may not add due to rounding.

Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Financial Position
(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Assets		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 38,611	\$ 27,378
Receivables and prepaids	2,282	548
Sales tax receivable	2,648	2,342
Inventories	14,582	8,302
Total current assets	<u>58,123</u>	<u>38,570</u>
Restricted Cash	657	-
Deferred financing cost	1,054	-
Mining properties, plant and equipment	106,899	89,643
Exploration properties	98,332	81,424
Total assets	<u>\$ 265,065</u>	<u>\$ 209,637</u>
Liabilities		
Current		
Payables and accruals	\$ 22,073	\$ 22,526
Income and mining tax payable	1,379	180
Borrowings	4,358	-
Current portion of lease liabilities	2,995	4,552
Total current liabilities	<u>30,805</u>	<u>27,258</u>
Lease liabilities	5,144	5,248
Deferred income and mining tax liabilities	19,782	8,259
Decommissioning provisions	16,971	11,663
Total liabilities	<u>72,702</u>	<u>52,428</u>
Equity		
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		
Capital stock	172,184	166,387
Contributed surplus	6,133	5,777
Retained earnings (deficit)	14,046	(14,955)
Total equity attributable to owners of the Company	<u>192,363</u>	<u>157,209</u>
Total liabilities and equity	<u>\$ 265,065</u>	<u>\$ 209,637</u>

Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income
(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars except for per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	<u>2019</u>	2018	<u>2019</u>	2018
Revenues from sales	\$ 45,940	\$ 28,920	\$ 120,751	\$ 86,580
Cost of sales	<u>25,246</u>	20,599	<u>72,002</u>	59,768
Gross profit	<u>20,694</u>	8,321	<u>48,749</u>	26,812

Other expenses				
Corporate and general	1,417	1,429	4,923	3,922
Share-based compensation	486	434	2,641	2,265
Kiena care and maintenance	-	353	-	1,130
Write-off of mining equipment	-	-	-	290
	<u>1,903</u>	<u>2,216</u>	<u>7,564</u>	<u>7,607</u>
Operating income	18,791	6,105	41,185	19,205
Quebec exploration credits refund	-	-	2,867	-
Interest on long-term debt	(138)	(68)	(364)	(191)
Accretion of decommissioning provisions	(64)	(105)	(301)	(313)
Interest and other	157	79	482	1,228
Income before mining and income tax	18,746	6,011	43,869	19,929
Income and mining tax expense				
Current	1,335	663	3,478	1,871
Deferred	4,962	1,717	11,523	5,843
	<u>6,297</u>	<u>2,380</u>	<u>15,001</u>	<u>7,714</u>
Net income and total comprehensive income	\$ 12,449	\$ 3,631	\$ 28,868	\$ 12,215
Net earnings per share				
Basic	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.09
Diluted	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.09

Weighted average number of common shares (000s)

Basic	137,302	134,754	136,615	134,390
Diluted	140,989	137,836	140,119	135,827

Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity
(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Contributed</u>	<u>Retained</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Stock</u>	<u>Surplus</u>	<u>Earnings</u>	<u>Equity</u>
			<u>(Deficit)</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2017	\$ 164,161	\$ 3,967	\$ (29,905)	\$ 138,223
Net income for the period ended				
September 30, 2018	-	-	12,215	12,215
Exercise of options	999	-	-	999
Value attributed to options exercised	500	(500)	-	-
Value attributed to options expired	-	(59)	59	-
Share-based compensation	-	2,265	-	2,265
Balance, September 30, 2018	\$ 165,660	\$ 5,673	\$ (17,631)	\$ 153,702
Balance, December 31, 2018	\$ 166,387	\$ 5,777	\$ (14,955)	\$ 157,209
Net income for the period ended				
September 30, 2019	-	-	28,868	28,868
Exercise of options	3,645	-	-	3,645
Value attributed to options exercised	1,724	(1,724)	-	-
Value attributed to options expired	-	(133)	133	-
Share-based compensation	-	2,641	-	2,641
Value attributed to DSUs redeemed	175	(175)	-	-
Value attributed to RSUs exercised	253	(253)	-	-
Balance, September 30, 2019	\$ 172,184	\$ 6,133	\$ 14,046	\$ 192,363

Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.
Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited, expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30		September 30	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Operating activities				
Net income	\$ 12,449	\$ 3,631	\$ 28,868	\$ 12,215
Depletion and depreciation	6,076	5,577	16,335	12,817
Share-based compensation	486	434	2,641	2,265
Accretion of decommission provisions	64	105	301	313
Deferred income and mining tax expense	4,962	1,717	11,523	5,843
Interest on long-term debt and other	143	68	378	191
Write-off of mining equipment	-	-	-	290
	<u>24,180</u>	<u>11,532</u>	<u>60,046</u>	<u>33,934</u>
Net changes in non-cash working capital	4,225	1,291	(2,580)	4,427
Mining tax paid	(1,130)	-	(2,210)	(693)
Net cash from operating activities	<u>27,275</u>	<u>12,823</u>	<u>55,256</u>	<u>37,668</u>
Financing activities				
Exercise of options	954	690	3,645	999
Debt issue less deferred cost	3,304	-	3,304	-
Repayment of lease liabilities	(1,558)	(931)	(4,129)	(2,546)
Termination of lease arrangements	(3,952)	-	(3,952)	-
Interest paid	(138)	(68)	(364)	(191)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(1,390)</u>	<u>(309)</u>	<u>(1,496)</u>	<u>(1,738)</u>
Investing activities				
Additions to mining properties	(10,616)	(4,022)	(23,637)	(12,011)
Additions to exploration properties	(5,872)	(5,733)	(16,908)	(15,796)
Funds held against standby letter of credit and cash deposit	(30)	-	(657)	-
Net changes in non-cash working capital	1,849	1,236	(1,325)	499
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(14,669)</u>	<u>(8,519)</u>	<u>(42,527)</u>	<u>(27,308)</u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	11,216	3,995	11,233	8,622
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	27,395	26,719	27,378	22,092
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 38,611</u>	<u>\$ 30,714</u>	<u>\$ 38,611</u>	<u>\$ 30,714</u>
Cash and cash equivalents consist of:				
Cash	\$ 38,611	\$ 21,633	\$ 38,611	\$ 21,633
Term deposits	-	9,081	-	9,081
	<u>\$ 38,611</u>	<u>\$ 30,714</u>	<u>\$ 38,611</u>	<u>\$ 30,714</u>

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