Pretivm Announces New Director

Vancouver, British Columbia May 16, 2014; Pretium Resources Inc. (TSX/NYSE:PVG) (“Pretivm”) is pleased to announce that Mr. Peter Birkey was elected to the Board of Directors at its Annual General Meeting held on May 14, 2014.

Peter Birkey is an Investment Executive who has over twenty years of experience investing in the financial markets and advising both public and private companies. Mr. Birkey was an Executive Vice President for Liberty Mutual Asset Management responsible for all Strategy, Public Markets, Risk Management, Real Estate and Special Situations. Prior to this, he was a Senior Vice President for AmerUs Capital Management (now Aviva USA) and a Portfolio Manager for AEGON USA. Mr. Birkey earned an MBA in Finance and Marketing with the highest honors from the University of Chicago. He is also a Chartered Financial Analyst and holds a Bachelors degree in Economics and Business Administration from Coe College.

“We welcome Peter, who brings depth with his financial experience to Pretivm’s Board as we advance our Brucejack Project to production,” said President and CEO Robert Quartermain.

Mr. Birkey, who was nominated by Liberty Metals & Mining Holding, LLC under the terms of its existing shareholder rights agreement, will serve on the Board’s Audit committee.

About Pretivm

Pretivm is creating value through gold at its high-grade gold Brucejack Project, located in northern British Columbia. Permitting of a high-grade underground gold mine at Brucejack is underway, with commercial production targeted to commence in 2016.

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