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Amerigo Announces Q2-2013 Copper Production Results

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA – July 12, 2013/CNW/ - Amerigo Resources Ltd. (TSX: ARG, "Amerigo" or the "Company") is pleased to announce production results for the second quarter of 2013 from Minera Valle Central ("MVC"), the Company's operations located near Rancagua, Chile. MVC produced 9.55 million pounds of copper and 0.176 million pounds of molybdenum during the three months ended June 30, 2013.

Dr. Klaus Zeitler, Amerigo's President and CEO, stated "As previously reported, a slide in one of the Colihues working areas necessitated a change to MVC's mine plan, and during the second and third quarters Colihues extraction rates and grades will be lower than originally anticipated. April copper production was 36% lower than that of April 2012, as production was limited to 22 days in the month. The revised mine plan began to show positive results in the last two months of the quarter, as June copper production was slightly higher than that for June 2012".

Rob Henderson, Amerigo's Chief Operating Officer, added "Production challenges in Colihues are expected to continue through Q3, with gradual improvement through Q4. Our production outlook for the year remains at the lower end of 45-50 million pounds of copper and 700,000 pounds of molybdenum".

| Production Metrics: | Q2-2013 | Q1-2013 | Q4-2012 | Q3-2012 | Q2-2012 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Copper Production (million lbs) | 9.550 | 12.834 | 13.561 | 12.701 | 11.570 |
| Molybdenum Production (million lbs) | 0.176 | 0.258 | 0.291 | 0.322 | 0.229 |
| Ore milled (Tonnes 000's) | 13,464 | 13,502 | 14,727 | 14,139 | 13,631 |
| Copper Grade (%) | 0.158 | 0.160 | 0.155 | 0.149 | 0.156 |
| Copper Recovery (%) | 20.3 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.3 | 24.7 |
| Power Costs (per kwh) | \$0.086 | \$0.097 | \$0.185 | \$0.166 | \$0.195 |
| Sales Metrics: | Q2-2013 | Q1-2013 | Q1-2012 | Q4-2011 | Q3-2011 |
| Copper Sales ¹ (Million lbs) | 9.437 | 12.482 | 13.712 | 13.024 | 10.762 |
| Company's Recorded Copper Price (\$US/lb) ² | 3.40 | 3.52 | 3.52 | 3.52 | 3.74 |
| Molybdenum Sales (million Ibs) | 0.178 | 0.241 | 0.286 | 0.338 | 0.243 |
| Company's Recorded Molybdenum Price (\$US/lb) | 11.00 | 11.34 | 11.08 | 11.64 | 14.02 |

Key operating and sales metrics are shown below.

¹ Copper sales per the Company's records, which may differ from copper sales per the smelter. All differences between Company and smelter records for a quarter will be recorded as settlement adjustments in subsequent quarters until settled.

² Copper price recorded for the Company's financial statements for the quarter before smelter and refinery charges and settlement adjustments to prior quarters' sales. The Company calculates this number by dividing quarterly dollar sales as recorded in its financial statements (calculated based on copper deliveries per the smelter) over quarterly copper sales per the Company's own records.

The Company will release Q2-2013 financial results at market open on Tuesday August 6, 2013 and will hold an investor conference call to discuss the results on Wednesday August 7, 2013 at 11:00 am Pacific Daylight Time/2:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time.

To participate in the call, please dial the following number:

1-866-226-1792 (Toll-Free North America)

Please let the operator know you wish to participate in the Amerigo Resources conference call.

Media are invited to attend on a listen-only basis.

Following management's discussion of the quarterly results, the analyst and investment community will be invited to ask questions.

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