VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--(Marketwired - April 26, 2016) - <u>Pretium Resources Inc.</u> (TSX:PVG)(NYSE:PVG) ("Pretivm" o the "Company") is pleased to report an eighth set of results from the underground infill drill program at the Brucejack Project's Valley the Kings. Results continue to confirm the style and grade distribution of the Valley of the Kings gold mineralization in the area currently being tested, which includes the intersection of high grade and visible gold. Reported assays include five intersections grading greater than 1,000 grams per tonne gold as well as long intervals of gold mineralization. (See Table 1 below for assays.)

Selected drill highlights include:

- Hole VU-644 intersected 59.13 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 38.04 meters, including 2,390 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 0.50 meters;
- Hole VU-650 intersected 86.34 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 19.09 meters, including 3,280 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 0.50 meters;
- Hole VU-658 intersected 55.87 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 9.48 meters, including 1,040 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 0.50 meters; and,
- Hole VU-665 intersected 68.60 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 14.72 meters, including 1,975 grams of gold per tonne uncut over 0.50 meters.

Holes VU-644 was drilled from the 1350-meter drill bay while holes VU-650, VU-658 and VU-665 were drilled from the 1310-meter of bay. To date results from 266 holes (46,956 meters) have been reported.

For a plan and section views of the reported drill fans please see the following link: http://media3.marketwire.com/docs/ccnmwebNreUpload1461626557924-16-14%20April%2026%202016%20Plans%20%20Section

The 2015/2016 infill drill program is designed to target stope areas in years one through three of the current mine plan for the Valley the Kings. Drilling is in progress with four drills turning and is expected to be completed by mid-May. When completed, roughly 200 vertical meters over a strike length of 250 meters will have been drilled at 7.5 to 10-meter centers. Assay results from drilling will continue to be reported as they are received.

Table 1: Selected Valley of the Kings Drill Results, April 2016 (VU-626 to VU-681)(1,2,3)

Hole No.	Dip/ Azimuth	From (meters)	To (meters)	Interval (meters)	Gold (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Comments			
	1350 m Drill Bay - 426,706E/6,258,050N - 146 Azimuth									
VU-640	-17/146	94.82	104.31	9.49	8.83	12.34				
	incl	94.82	95.32	0.50	145.00	56.40				
VU-644	-7.5/146	73.96	112.00	38.04	17.59	59.32	2 samples cut			
	or	73.96	112.00	38.04	59.13	59.32	uncut			
	incl	75.00	76.00	1.00	38.60	46.30				
	incl	92.91	93.41	0.50	2,390	2,340				
	incl	93.41	93.91	0.50	42.20	45.10				
	incl	109.34	109.84	0.50	1,850	884.00				
VU-652	2/146	45.26	45.88	0.62	17.25	728.00				
VU-654	11.5/146	40.00	50.00	10.00	8.38	106.33				
	incl	47.10	47.60	0.50	132.00	112.00				
VU-659	20/146	62.00	63.00	1.00	12.40	219.00				
	1270 m Drill Bay - 426,663E/6,258,075N - 171 Azimuth									
VU-626	-32.5/171	82.00	83.00	1.00	22.40	8.80				
		153.00	154.00	1.00	28.70	11.00				
VU-632	-27.5/171	110.76	116.93	6.17	7.81	7.35				
	incl	110.76	111.26	0.50	82.80	45.10				
		152.40	160.00	7.60	5.99	49.57				
	incl	155.00	156.00	1.00	12.15	30.60				
	incl	156.00	157.00	1.00	16.10	38.50				
VU-641	-17.5/171	151.00	152.00	1.00	14.65	17.00				
VU-651	-7.5/171	114.00	115.00	1.00	10.70	11.80				
		121.00	122.00	1.00	14.20	7.00				
		169.00	181.00	12.00	15.33	9.45				
	incl	170.58	171.08	0.50	352.00	130				
VU-656	5/171	29.00	39.00	10.00	27.86	20.30	1 sample cut			

	or	29.00	39.00	10.00	34.56	20.30	uncut					
	incl	34.95	35.45	0.50	674.00	314.00						
VU-663	35/171	88.00	94.20	6.20	8.99	6.30						
	incl	93.70	94.20	0.50	74.90	11.20						
	1260 m South Drill Bay - 426,529E/6,258,018N - 200 Azimuth											
VU-657	-32/200	30.00	40.00	10.00	27.73	30.61	1 sample cut					
	or	30.00	40.00	10.00	40.88	30.61	uncut					
	incl	38.77	39.27	0.50	803.00	419.00						
		78.00	79.00	1.00	21.10	9.10						
VU-661	-25/200	120.00	123.20	3.20	6.39	7.61						
	incl	122.20	122.70	0.50	19.05	7.90						
VU-667	-18/200	105.00	110.40	5.40	7.22	7.25						
	incl	105.72	106.22	0.50	41.20	30.20						
VU-675	-2/200	71.00	72.00	1.00	12.00	19.60						
		80.00	81.00	1.00	10.00	14.10						
1310 m Drill Bay - 426,522E/6,258,139N - 198 Azimuth												
VU-629	-40/198	96.00	99.00	3.00	9.96	13.77						
	incl	98.00	99.00	1.00	25.70	29.90						
		129.00	130.10	1.10	9.69	9.10						
VU-634	-35/198	7.00	8.10	1.10	31.80	11.6						
		96.00	115.10	19.10	11.23	17.79						
	incl	96.00	96.60	0.60	25.10	13.1						
	incl	104.00	105.00	1.00	37.40	137						
	incl	114.60	115.10	0.50	304.00	229.00						
VU-638	-30/198	97.00	98.00	1.00	17.85	7.60						
VU-646	-25/198	130.00	131.00	1.00	8.44	9.40						
VU-650	-20/198	0.00	3.00	3.00	36.83	31.27						
	incl	1.38	1.88	0.50	215.00	162.00						
		177.00	196.09	19.09	14.57	65.53	1 sample cut					
	or	177.00	196.09	19.09	86.34	65.53	uncut					
	incl	195.59	196.09	0.50	3,280	2,360						
VU-658	-15/198	0.00	9.48	9.48	29.50	32.59	1 sample cut					
	or	0.00	9.48	9.48	55.87	32.59	uncut					
	incl	5.35	5.85	0.50	1,040	533.00						
		166.00	171.00	5.00	10.30	33.70						
	incl	168.00	169.00	1.00	46.80	54.20						
VU-665	-10/198	166.28	181.00	14.72	19.86	55.18	1 sample cut					
	or	166.28	181.00	14.72	68.60	55.18	uncut					
	incl	166.28	166.78	0.50	1,975	1,450						
VU-672	-5/198	162.00	175.38	13.38	7.35	15.35						
	incl	162.00	163.00	1.00	15.05	134.00						
	incl	174.88	175.38	0.50	156.00	45.00						
VU-678	0/198	172.00	173.00	1.00	9.81	11.10						
	1350 m Dr	rill Bay - 42	26,706E/6,	258,050N - 138 Az	zimuth							
VU-662	-22.5/138	67.00	68.00	1.00	44.50	9.80						
		97.00	112.00	15.00	9.18	13.47						
	incl	104.76	105.26	0.50	135.50	58.60						
	incl	109.37	109.87	0.50	111.00	206.00						
VU-668	-13/138	80.00	81.69	1.69	8.85	47.45						
VU-670	-3.5/138	70.29	99.14	28.85	12.97	24.11						
	incl	77.16	77.66	0.50	121.50	74.80						
	incl	98.14	98.64	0.50	541.00	350.00						
VU-674	6/138	75.00	98.90	23.90	9.54	17.30						
	incl	98.40	98.90	0.50	361.00	85.90						
VU-681	25/138	16.96	17.96	1.00	7.69	692.50						
		37.00	40.00	3.00	12.37	32.30						
	incl	38.00	39.00	1.00	28.20	34.60						
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- (2) Unless otherwise indicated as uncut, all gold assays over 540 g/t were cut to 540 g/t.
- (3) All samples were submitted for preparation and analysis by ALS Chemex at its facilities in Terrace, B.C. All samples were analyzed using multi-digestion with ICP finish and fire assay with AA finish for gold. Samples over 100 ppm silver were reanalyzed using four acid digestion with an ore grade AA finish. Samples over 1,500 ppm silver were fire assayed with a gravimetric finish. Samples with over 10 ppm gold were fire assayed with a gravimetric finish. One in 20 samples was blank, one in 20 was a standard sample, and one in 20 samples had a sample cut from assay rejects assayed as a field duplicate at ALS Chemex in North Vancouver, B.C. Whole core (core not split) is being assayed as part of the underground infill drill program.

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About Pretivm

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