GobiMin Announces Third Quarter 2019 Results (Expressed in United States dollars except where otherwise indicated)

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TORONTO, Nov. 21, 2019 - (TSXV: GMN) -- <u>GobiMin Inc.</u> (“GobiMin” or the “Company”, together with its subsidiaries collectively the “Group”) reports its financial and operating results for the third quarter of 2019. The unaudited condensed interim financial statements along with quarterly highlights of management’s discussion and analysis have been filed with SEDAR (www.sedar.com) and are also available at the website of the Company (www.gobimin.com).

Financial Highlights

	3 months ended September 30 12 months ended		
	2019	2018	December 31, 2018
	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	0.4 million	0.4 million	1.5 million
Gain on disposal of financial assets	0.5 million	-	3,500
Fair value gain/(loss) on financial assets	25,000	(0.1 million)	(1.1 million)
Net profit/(loss) for the period/year	46,000	(0.3 million)	(2.9 million)
Profit/(loss) attributable to shareholders of the Company	0.1 million	(0.3 million)	(2.8 million)
EBITDA/(LBITDA) (1)	11,000	(0.4 million)	(3.2 million)
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share	0.0014	(0.0059)	(0.0561)
EBITDA/(LBITDA) per share (1)	0.0002	(0.0077)	(0.0639)
Cash and cash equivalents	21.4 million	16.3 million	17.1 million
Cash and cash equivalents per share (1)	0.43	0.33	0.34
Working capital	23.8 million	19.2 million	19.3 million
Total liabilities	2.6 million	2.4 million	3.5 million
Total assets	76.0 million	77.9 million	78.1 million
Annual dividend per share	0.01	0.01	0.01

Note:

As non-IFRS measurements, EBITDA/(LBITDA) (earnings/(loss) before interest income and expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortisation), EBITDA/(LBITDA) per share and Cash and cash equivalents per share do not comply with IFRS and, therefore, the amounts presented in the above table may not be comparable to similar data presented by other companies. The data is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Business Summary and Development

1. Financial Assets

The investment objective of the Company is to seek superior returns by making investments in equity, debt or other securities of publicly traded or private companies or other entities as well as direct ownership stakes in projects. New investments will be directed by an Investment Committee and guided by the Company's Investment Policy which governs its investment activities and investment strategy.

(a) Equity Investments

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Equity investments represent equity interests of publicly-traded or privately-held companies that the Company has acquired. It is summarized as follows:

(i) Gold Project in Xinjiang

The Company owns a 70% equity interest in Xinjiang Tongyuan Minerals Limited which is developing the Sawayaerdun Gold Project ("Gold Project") in Xinjiang. Its mining licence was renewed with expiry date on December 31, 2019 and the original of the mining licence will be collectable after the reassessment of reserve by the Department of Land and Resources as well as payment for mining royalties based on the assessed reserve. The exploration licence was also renewed to August 22, 2021 with original licence collected in September 2019.

The on-site industrial test on applying bio tech methodology on extraction of metals from large scale samples of gold ores were in pre-oxidation stage with the ore heap constructed and supporting facilities, including reagent spray equipment and acid storage tanks, assembled during the reporting period. Subject to satisfactory on-site industrial test results, GobiMin may consider the feasibility on large scale production of the Gold Project with the biological pre oxidation immersion gold technique, and formulate the corresponding development scheme which would substantially reduce the production costs of the Gold Project.

As at September 30, 2019, there were addition of \$0.5 million in the exploration and evaluation assets and the Group had a contractual commitment of \$1.6 million for the future development of the Gold Project.

(ii) Others

As at September 30, 2019, the fair value of listed securities held by the Group amounted to \$0.3 million, of which \$0.1 million represented the shareholding in Loco Hong Kong Holdings Limited ("LocoHK"). Its shares are listed on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited under the stock code 8162. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, the fair value gain and gain on disposal of investment in LocoHK was \$0.9 million (2018: loss of \$0.7 million) and \$0.5 million (2018: nil) respectively. As at September 30, 2019, the amount due from China Precision Material Limited ("CPM"), a subsidiary of LocoHK, was \$1.1 million which was subsequently repaid in October 2019. Compared to \$3.5 million as at December 31, 2018, the decrease represented the repayment of \$2.4 million from CPM during the period. In July 2019, CPM ceased to be a related company when Mr. Felipe Tan resigned as director of LocoHK and CPM. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, the Group received from CPM interest income of \$0.1 million (2018: \$0.1 million).

The Group invested about \$4.1 million in Dragon Silver Holdings Limited ("Dragon Silver") by way of (1) an equity investment of \$1.1 million in 670,000 shares, representing 9.90% of its total issued capital; and (2) a loan of \$3 million, bearing interest at 8.5% per annum and repayable on demand at a notice of 7 days. Dragon Silver is a Hong Kong based company mainly engaged in trading, production, processing and investment in precious metals and non-ferrous metals and related products. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, the Group received from Dragon Silver interest income of \$0.2 million (2018: \$0.2 million) and dividend income of \$0.1 million (2018: \$0.1 million).

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, unlisted investment of \$0.2 million were acquired and other unlisted investment of \$0.2 million were disposed of at carrying value without gain or loss. During the reporting period, there was no change in fair value on other listed securities (2018: fair value loss of \$4,000). As at September 30, 2019, other listed securities held by the Group amounted to \$0.2 million and unlisted investment comprised of \$1.1 million investment in Dragon Silver and other unlisted investment of \$0.2 million.

(b) Debentures and Certificate of Deposit

The Group would hold debentures and certificate of deposit bearing low risks and reasonable interest return from various industries through the open market. Debentures are held to receive coupon interest payments as well as to realize potential gains. The Group may dispose of debentures through the open market when the Group requires funds for operational or other investment needs.

As at September 30, 2019, the Group held \$4.8 million (December 31, 2018: \$6.6 million) debentures with coupon rates ranged from 4.250% to 7.750% (December 31, 2018: 4.250% to 9.000%) per annum and maturities ranged between November 4, 2019 and perpetual (December 31, 2018: November 3, 2019 and perpetual).

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, interest income from debentures and certificate of deposit was \$0.3 million (Q3 2018: \$0.4 million), fair value gains from debentures and certificate of deposit amounted to \$0.2 million (Q3 2018: fair value loss of \$0.4 million) and gain from disposal of debentures and maturity of certificate of deposit was \$20,000 (Q3 2018: \$2,000).

2. Liquidity and Capital Resources

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As at September 30, 2019, the working capital of the Group amounted to approximately \$23.8 million (December 31, 2018: \$19.3 million), by netting off its current assets of \$26.1 million (December 31, 2018: \$22.8 million) with current liabilities of \$2.3 million (December 31, 2018: \$3.5 million).

Taking into account of its financial position, the management of the Group considered that its cash and cash equivalents will be more than sufficient to finance its operation, including the contractual commitments of the Gold Project of approximately \$1.6 million.

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