

Beta Hunt Gold and Nickel Operation¹	Q2 2018	Q1 2018	YTD Q2 2018	Q2 % Change
Gold tonnes mined (000s)	132	169	301	-22%
Gold mined grade (g/t) ^{3,4}	3.14	2.54	2.81	24%
Gold mined (ounces) ^{2,3,4}	13,320	13,780	27,100	-3%
Gold tonnes milled (000s)	112	110	222	0%
Gold mill grade (g/t)	3.24	2.36	2.83	37%
Gold Recovery (%)	91	92	92	0%
Gold milled (ounces)	11,844	8,372	20,216	41%
Gold sales (ounces) ¹	11,508	7,978	19,486	44%
Nickel tonnes mined (000s)	8.3	7.8	16.1	6%
Nickel tonnes milled (000s)	8.3	8.7	17.0	-5%
Nickel mill grade, nickel (%)	2.55	1.89	2.21	35%
Nickel in concentrate tonnes (000s)	0.19	0.14	0.32	36%

Note that production numbers are preliminary estimates and final grades and ounces can only be determined once mined material has been processed. With delays in tolling at the end of the quarter, 126.5kt of gold mineralization, or just over 95% of material mined during quarter, remained in inventory and had not yet been processed.

1.	Note: numbers may not add due to rounding.
2.	The difference in gold sales ounces and gold mined ounces is due to timing differences in receipt of gold sales depending on completion date of tolling campaigns.
3.	Final grades are determined once mined material has been processed.
4.	As of June 30, 2018, 126.5 kt of gold mineralization from Q1 & Q2 2018 production remained on the ROM pad for tolling in the subsequent quarter, compared to 105.5 kt of gold as of March 31, 2018.
5.	Due to large amount of Q1 & Q2 production remaining in inventory and not tolled at the end of the quarter due to weather and milling disruptions, the mined tonnes and grade have not been fully reconciled at this point in time

Technical Disclosure

The disclosure of scientific and technical information contained in this news release has been approved by Kevin Small, Director, Mining Operations of RNC with respect to mining results and by Johnna Muinonen, Vice President, Operations of RNC with respect to milling results, both Qualified Persons under NI 43-101.

About Royal Nickel Corporation

RNC is a multi-asset mineral resource company with a portfolio of nickel, cobalt, and gold production and exploration properties. RNC has a 28% interest in a nickel joint venture with Waterton that owns the Dumont Nickel-Cobalt Project located in the Abitibi region of Quebec which contains the second largest nickel reserve and eighth largest cobalt reserve (the largest undeveloped nickel reserve and second largest undeveloped cobalt reserve in the world). RNC has a 100% interest in the producing Beta Hunt gold and nickel mine located in Western Australia and a 36% interest in Orford Mining Corporation, a mineral explorer focused on highly prospective and underexplored areas of Northern Quebec and the Carolina Gold Belt in the United States. RNC also has a 27% stake in the producing Reed Mine in Manitoba. RNC has a strong management team and Board with over 100 years of mining experience at Inco and Falconbridge. RNC's common shares trade on the TSX under the symbol RNX. RNC shares also trade on the OTCQX market under the symbol RNKLF.

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