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On February 21, 2019, Newmont posted on its website, www.newmont.com, an earnings presentation that includes, among other matters, information related to the Newmont's proposed acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Goldcorp Inc. Newmont held a related live webcast presentation on February 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time.

The following is an excerpt from the earnings presentation:

The following is an excerpt from the transcript of the live webcast presentation:

Corrected Transcript

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Newmont Mining Corp. (NEM)

Q4 2018 Earnings Call

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Gary J. Goldberg

Chief Executive Officer, Newmont Mining Corp.

Thanks, Tom. Turning us to slide 25, in January, we announced an agreement to combine with Goldcorp with the vision of creating the world's leading gold business, as measured by assets, people, prospects, and value.

Newmont Goldcorp will operate a world-class portfolio of assets on four continents with the ability to target sustainable and profitable production of between 6 million and 7 million ounces of gold annually and have the benefit of additional revenue of about \$1.5 billion from other products, including silver, zinc, and copper. We will have the sector's best project pipeline and exploration portfolio in terms of both quality and depth, and these prospects translate to the gold sector's largest reserve and resource base, with long-term leverage to the gold price. Finally, we will continue to have the financial flexibility to execute our capital priorities, deliver sustainable shareholder returns through an industry-leading dividend, and maintain an investment grade balance sheet.

We expect the transaction to close in the second quarter, following our special stockholder meetings in April and receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals. In the meantime, we're working to ensure a smooth transition and integration as we position the business to deliver industry-leading returns for decades to come.

Newmont Goldcorp's value proposition is unparalleled. We expect to generate \$100 million in annual pre-tax synergies from G&A savings and a streamlined supply chain, and we plan to achieve additional benefits from the application of our proven Full Potential continuous improvement program, where we have proven we can deliver sustainable cost efficiencies and productivity improvements of approximately \$75 per ounce once fully ramped up. This equates to about \$165 million per year. Combined with the \$100 million of annual synergies, these efforts have the potential to deliver more than \$2.5 billion in total value creation.

Further upside is expected through project optimization and sequencing, asset divestments, and an increased and focused investment in the exploration potential of these assets. Newmont Goldcorp's operations and project pipeline provides the foundation for steady, profitable production; stable cash flow generation; and improving costs over the long term, and gives a significant optionality and the ability to continue to advance only those projects that meet our minimum hurdle rate of 15% at a \$1,200 gold price.

I recently had the opportunity to visit Red Lake and Musselwhite, meeting with more than 600 people in crew meetings at the sites. I am pleased by the quality of the talent that I met and the future operational potential of these assets. Our teams will be working diligently over the coming weeks to close the transaction, and we anticipate providing an update to our 2019 guidance in due course, along with a view of our longer-term guidance later this year at our Investor Day. We're very excited about this combination and have clear implementation plans in place to create the world's leading gold business.

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