

Orvana announces the appointment of two new directors

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TORONTO, ONTARIO--(CCNMatthews – June 6, 2006) - The Board of Directors of Orvana Minerals Corp. (TSX:ORV)("Orvana" or the "Company") announces the appointment of two new directors, Dr. Peter Bradshaw and Mr. Malcolm King.

Dr. Bradshaw is President, Chief Executive Officer and a director of First Point Minerals Corp. based in Vancouver, British Columbia. Dr. Bradshaw is a mineral exploration geologist with 40 years international mineral exploration experience in over 30 countries with Barringer Research, Placer Dome and First Point Minerals and was one of the original founders of Orvana Minerals. He has been directly involved with discovery, evaluation and/or advancement of a number of gold projects that went from exploration into production including the Porgera and Misima gold mines in Papua New Guinea, the Kidston gold mine in Australia and the Omai gold mine in Guyana.

Dr Bradshaw is also cofounder and first Chairman of the Mineral Deposit Research Unit ("MDRU") at the University of British Columbia. MDRU is a collaborative effort supported by the University, the federal and provincial geological surveys and companies active in mineral exploration. MDRU undertakes research into a wide range of research issues of interest to the industry, including but not limited to geophysics, geochemistry and deposit modeling.

Mr. King is Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Mr. King is a Chartered Accountant and holds Master in Business Administration and Bachelor of Commerce degrees from McGill University, Montreal, Canada. He is a past member of the Institute of Certified Management Consultants. He has held senior financial management roles in a number of different industries, including mining, and in two public companies including a directorship in one.

About Orvana

Orvana Minerals is a Canadian gold mining and exploration company based in Toronto, Canada, involved in the evaluation, development and mining of precious metal deposits in the Americas. The Company's primary operation is the Don Mario Mine in eastern Bolivia. Orvana's long-term goal is to become a low cost, long-life, multi-mine gold producer in the Americas. Orvana's shares have been listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange since 1992 under the trading symbol ORV.

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