## Almonty Announces Positive \$28,472,000 Annual EBITDA from Mining Operations before Non-Cash Impairment Charge (1)

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# And the Filing of Its Audited Annual Financial Statements and MD&A for the Year Ended September 30, 2018

<u>Almonty Industries Inc.</u> (&Idquo;Almonty&rdquo; or the &Idquo;Corporation&rdquo;) (TSX: AII / OTCQX: ALMTF / Frankfurt: 1MR) today announced the filing of its audited annual consolidated financial statements, management&rsquo;s discussion & analysis and AIF for the year ended September 30, 2018. Unless otherwise indicated, all currency amounts contained in this news release are expressed in Canadian dollars.

The following financial information is for the three months and year ended September 30, 2018 and 2017:

	Three Months Ended 30-Sep-18	Three Months Ended 30-Sep-17	Ended	Year Ended 30-Sep-17
	\$'000 <sup>`</sup>	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Gross Revenue	14,629	10,809	65,171	39,018
Mine production costs	9,416	7,990	36,699	32,349
Impairment loss	15,604	-	15,604	-
Depreciation and amortization	4,681	1,875	11,155	6,400
Earnings (loss) from mining operations	(15,072)	944	1,713	269
General and administrative costs	2,494	3,273	8,426	9,864
Non-cash compensation costs	-	472	897	472
Earnings (loss) before the under noted items	(17,566)	(2,801)	(7,610)	(10,067)
Interest expense	467	497	2,459	2,436
(Gain) Loss on debt settlement	-	(3,015)	-	(3,015)
Foreign exchange (gain) loss	(1,268)	(1,124)	(95)	(1,368)
Tax provision	2,065	122	715	122
Net income (loss) for the period	(18,830)	719	(10,689)	(8,242)
Income (loss) per share basic	(\$0.10)	\$0.00	(\$0.06)	(\$0.07)
Income (loss) per share diluted	(\$0.10)	\$0.00	(\$0.06)	(\$0.07)
Dividends	-	-	-	-
Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities	s 4,243	(3,411)	10,940	(2,888)
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities	(31)	(1,140)	(6,023)	(10,680)
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities	(2,757)	7,706	(540)	13,934

The following financial information is as at September 30, 2018, and September 30, 2017:

	30-Sep-18 30-Sep-17		
	\$'000	\$'000	
Cash	8,721	4,473	
Restricted cash	1,245	1,300	
Total assets	147,302	160,151	
Bank indebtedness	-	9,447	
Current portion of long-term debt	25,876	11,497	
Long-term debt	24,455	33,162	
Shareholders' equity	40,863	45,625	
Other			
Outstanding shares ('000)	181,442	169,752	

Weighted average outstanding shares ('000)					
Basic	178,587	121,553			
Fully diluted	178,587	121,553			
Closing share price	0.81	0.63			

Lewis Black, Chief Executive Officer of Almonty commented, &ldguo; These results are continuing to reflect the go-forward cost structure and production profile of Almonty. To highlight this, the Company has seen an increase of 427% in EBITDA from mining operations (before impairment charges) when compared to 2017. The positive impact of the recent improvement in the commodity price, which hit a 3 year high in mid-calendar 2018 at approximately US\$350 per MTU, continues to positively impact revenue and earnings as prices have continually increased since July 2017. My personal investment of \$6.5 million into Almonty's common shares during mid-2017 is a testament to my confidence in Almonty's future and the continued improvement of its performance. The Company's focus continues to be to strengthen its balance sheet and to continue moving forward with the development of the Sangdong mine. The recent conversion of large tranches of debt into equity, at significant premiums to the underlying market price, has reduced the Company's overall debt levels and we are continuing to focus on maintaining the Company's gearing ratio to more normalized levels. The Company is pleased with its overall stock performance of 129% growth in the 2018 year and fully expects this trend to continue as the build out of Sangdong continues. Mine development at Sangdong commenced in November 2018 - Q1 2019 and continues on schedule with plant equipment orders anticipated to be placed at the end of January 2019. We remain on track for our previously stated timeframe. With our improved performance and stronger balance sheet, combined with the expected financing and construction of our Sangdong property, Almonty is well placed to remain the dominant Western supplier of tungsten concentrate."

#### About Almonty

The principal business of Toronto, Canada-based <u>Almonty Industries Inc.</u> is the mining, processing and shipping of tungsten concentrate from its Los Santos Mine in western Spain and its Panasqueira mine in Portugal as well as the development of its Sangdong tungsten mine in Gangwon Province, South Korea and the development of the Valtreixal tin/tungsten project in north western Spain. The Los Santos Mine was acquired by Almonty in September 2011 and is located approximately 50 kilometres from Salamanca in western Spain and produces tungsten concentrate. The Panasqueira mine, which has been in production since 1896, is located approximately 260 kilometres northeast of Lisbon, Portugal, was acquired in January 2016 and produces tungsten concentrate. The Sangdong mine, which was historically one of the largest tungsten mines in the world and one of the few long-life, high-grade tungsten deposits outside of China, was acquired in September 2015 through the acquisition of a 100% interest in <u>Woulfe Mining Corp.</u> Almonty owns 100% of the Valtreixal tin-tungsten project in north-western Spain. Further information about Almonty&rsquo;s profile at www.sedar.com.

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