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PRESS RELEASE

Encouraging Diamond Drill Results Received on Newton Hill Property

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Mr. Larry W. Reaugh, President and Chief Executive Officer of Verdstone Gold Corporation ("Verdstone") and Rea Gold Corporation ("Rea Gold"), is pleased to announce initial results from the Diamond Drill program on the 50/50 joint-venture Newton Hill project located 20 miles north of the large Fish Lake deposit being drilled by Taseko Mines Ltd.

The Newton property encompasses a Porphyry Copper/Gold prospect. In the area of Newton Hill volcanic rocks of the Upper Cretaceous Age Kingsvale Group are cut by Eocene Age Dykes, sills and stocks of quartz monzonite composition. In areas of shallow overburden geochemical soil and trench surveys identified significant copper/gold mineralization hosted by hydrothermally altered, sulphide rich volcanic and intrusive rocks. A limited Induced Polarization survey showed a strong chargeability response to this sulphide mineralization in the area of Newton Hill. This Induced Polarization survey in conjunction with the geochemical soil and trench surveys identified areas for diamond drilling. Verdstone Gold Corporation completed 970.2 metres (3183 feet) of NQ diamond drilling in five holes on the Newton property. All holes were drilled at -60 degrees due north except 92-04 which was drilled at -50 degrees due north. The location of this drilling is shown on the attached map and the results of the first two holes and part of the third hole are given as:

HOLE NO.	FOOTAGE	THICKNESS (FEET)	CU%	AU OZ/TON	CU% EQUIVALENT
92-01	0'-623'	total depth			
	29' - 623'	594'	.11%	.005	.27%
includes	29' - 141'	112'	.21%	.006	.40%
includes	36' - 82'	46'	.36%	.009	.65%
92-02	0' - 644'	total depth			
	34' - 433'	399'	.04%	.005	.19%
*92-03	0' - 447'	total depth			
	52' - 216'	164'	.08%	.013	.53%

* Due to highly fractured ground no core was recovered to 52' and the hole was lost at 447 feet. Assays are pending from 216'-447' feet.

Drill holes were widely spaced up to 2500 feet apart. Additional results will be reported when they are received.

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