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FIRST DRILL RESULTS FROM 1990 UNDERGROUND DIAMOND DRILL PROGRAM

VANCOUVER, B.C. - Newhawk Gold Mines Ltd. (TSE: NHG) recently completed 19,026 feet of underground diamond drilling at its Sulphurets property located near Stewart, B.C. The Sulphurets property is under exploration by Newhawk (operator) with a 60% interest and Granduc Mines Ltd. with a 40% interest. Drilling focused on deeper portions of the West Zone below the level of established reserves as well as further testing the R-8 system. Selected assay results from drill holes received to date are reported below and overleaf. Further results will be reported when they are available. Work on the final feasibility study is proceeding, with completion due in late August. Reserve calculations from this latest drilling program will form an addendum to the feasibility study.

WEST ZONE

Results received to date confirm West Zone continuity and high grade to approximately the 1075 m elevation. Additions to West Zone reserves were made north of previous intercepts and adjacent to the footwall porphyry body.

Hole No.	Section	Dip (°)	From (feet)	To (feet)	Intersection (feet)	Gold oz/ton	Silver oz/ton
U-90-430	5110	-32	360.9	378.9	18.0	1.410	2.74
U-90-432	5110	-4 and	223.9 241.0	232.5 257.4	8.6 16.5	2.810 0.272	2.30 20.46
U-90-434	5090	-26 and	202.8 263.0	207.7 264.7	4.9 1.7	1.325 24.212	1.15 16.10
U-90-436	5090	-50	400.3	406.8	6.6	0.775	1.21
U-90-437	5080	+10 and and	110.7 148.1 183.0	123.9 152.2 209.0	13.1 4.0 26.0	0.305 2.720 0.225	0.59 1.08 6.39
U-90-438	5080	-17	181.1	193.7	12.6	0.435	57.11
U-90-442	5090	+1	216.7	229.5	12.8	0.396	3.91
U-90-445	5110	-13	304.7	325.9	21.2	1.001	10.62

R-8 SYSTEM

Drilling to the south and beneath the R-8 system discovered new high grade mineralization which appears to have its top at approximately the 1100 m elevation. Like the upper 650 vertical feet of the West Zone, this new discovery often carries extraordinary silver grades accompanying excellent gold values. The R-8 system, defined during 1989, appears to be one of a series of significant deposits lying at depth and sub-adjacent to the West Zone.

Hole No.	Section	Dip (°)	From (feet)	To	Intersection (feet)	Gold oz/ton	Silver oz/ton
U-90-414	199+20N	-34	277.2	290.7	13.5	0.570	44.74
U-90-416	199+30N	-36	263.1	286.7	23.6	0.458	40.40
U-90-420	5130	-34	389.3	413.8	24.5	1.171	24.01
U-90-422	5120	-29	429.7	457.6	27.9	0.582	16.87
U-90-422	5100	-29	217.6	228.0	10.4	1.095	98.87
		and	357.5	372.3	14.8	0.287	8.86
U-90-424	5100	-37	377.2	400.2	23.0	2.629	51.12
		and	485.8	490.7	4.9	0.310	3.37
		and	571.7	576.6	4.9	0.256	7.16
U-90-425	5090	-32	484.8	497.2	12.4	1.211	37.36

GOSSAN HILL ZONE

A long exploration hole, drilled flat from approximately the 1300 m level, traversed the area known as Gossan Hill where early surface drilling returned intersections of up to 4.188 oz gold/ton over 9.9 foot widths. Several individual intercepts in this latest exploration hole were noteworthy. The Gossan Hill area lies immediately adjacent to the north of the West Zone and has not received detailed exploration to date.

Hole No.	Section	Dip (°)	From (feet)	To	Intersection (feet)	Gold oz/ton	Silver oz/ton
U-90-449	4960	0	427.4	430.0	2.6	0.166	25.32
			789.2	791.3	2.1	7.615	3.47
			980.7	987.3	6.6	0.300	0.19
			1059.4	1066.1	6.7	0.185	4.16
			1154.6	1160.1	5.5	0.238	8.28

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