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Marlanne Kyme, President Oakmont Ventures Ltd. 209 - 475 Howe Street Vancouver, B.C. V6C 2B3

Dear Mary:

Via Fax: 604.688.7125

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## RE: Gibraltar Mine, Gibraltar North Deposit

I am pleased to report that efforts by Tom Milner, Gibraltar Manager, United Gunn Resources Ltd., and myself to "save" Gibraltar from closure, have begun to yield positive results.

The progress involves: (1) lower smelter terms, (2) discounts tied to copper price, from major suppliers (3) action by the Jobs Protection Branch, (4) results of Gibraltar's and United Gunn's exploration programs, (5) involvement of the Geological Survey Branch in the region, (6) Boliden's willingness to support exploration at the mine and willingness to receive reorganization plans from the Manager, (7) the recognition that an expansion could yield significant economies of scale, and (8) the realization that Gibraltar North could play a role in improving mine economics in the existing or expanded operations. It is also important to realize that the employees at Gibraltar are working together, as an experienced and capable team, in making the Gibraltar operation one of the most efficient mines in world.

Tom Milner and I have discussed general terms and conditions that would be required to activate work on Gibraltar North, in order to advance the deposit into a reserve category.

It is very important that the Oakmont Board of Directors meet as soon as possible, so that I may make a presentation to bring all members up to date on the above matters, together.

Yours truly,

J.A. Chapman Mining Services

John A. Chapman, P.Eng., Principal (and Oakmont Director)

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January 30, 1998

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Thank you for taking the time to visit with me at Pathways '98, following your presentation on Boliden. I found the Boliden update to be very interesting and informative, and of course timely given the Company's growth through acquisition of Westmin.

As we discussed, I have worked at Gibraltar as Chief Engineer and Acting Manager (1977 & 1978) as part of my 11 years service with Placer Dome Inc. I am presently a consultant to United Gunn Resources Ltd. a part owner (through Cuisson Lake Mines Ltd.) of the Gibraltar Mine. Also I am a director and a shareholder in Oakmont Ventures Ltd. a royalty holder on the Gibraltar North Deposit at the Gibraltar mine. Both of these companies have been involved in exploration in the Gibraltar Camp since the 1960's. Rudy Nosalek of United Gunn was the person that organized and financed Gibraltar Mines Ltd. in the discovery era, prior to Placer Dome Inc. buying control of the Company. Rudy is still active in the management of United Gunn. Marianne Kyme has been with Oakmont (formerly Newcoast) since the 1960's and currently serves as the Company's President.

The management teams at both United Gunn and Oakmont, have not only been long-term players at Gibraltar, but continue to view the Camp as having excellent potential for continued operations well into the next millennium. Despite the low grade tenor of the ore, the skilled workforce combined with low power costs and excellent area infrastructure combines to create one of the World's lowest cost mining operations on a cost per ton mined and milled basis. Also, I have always had the opinion that the plant was designed too small for the size and grade of the orebody - expansion to the 60,000 - 80,000 tonne per day range would reduce the operating cost per pound of copper produced, at a relatively low incremental capital cost. In addition, there is significant potential for discovery of ore grading +0.4% copper, as demonstrated by the most recent shear hosted deposit discovered at Gibraltar North. An added bonus is the low work index of the ore; it would probably mill at a 50,000 tpd rate in the present mill. This ore also contains more fracture filling copper in relation to disseminated copper, thereby enhancing recovery potential.

United Gunn recently completed a comprehensive study of all exploration work conducted in the Camp since the early 1960's, and has correlated that data with new LANDSAT and RADARSAT images. As a result of that work several targets were identified and some 8,000 hectares of mineral claims staked (October 1997). During the claim staking some reconnaissance silt sampling and outcrop sampling was conducted; results of this work was positive giving strong support for the targets and in one case identifying a large new precious metals anomaly.

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In your presentation you mentioned that Boliden's focus ranked zinc as the primary metal and copper as number two. You should be aware that there is some very strong zinc and silver zoning in areas flanking the main deposits. For example, the Gibraltar North Deposit contains a resource of nearly 100 million tonnes grading 0.4% copper, 0.1% zinc and 0.1opt silver - not including the northwest extension that has returned large drill intersections of 0.3% zinc. A plus 40,000 tpd mill will efficiently produce a lot of zinc, along with the normal copper, even at these low zinc grades.

As you can see I am a believer in the Gibraltar Camp and its mining future - my associates at United Gunn and Oakmont share this same vision. Do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to meet with the principals of either company to learn more about the mineral potential in the Gibraltar Camp and the surrounding area.

Yours truly,

J.A. Chapman Mining Services

John A. Chapman, P.Eng. Principal

cc. David Anfield, President, United Gunn Mines Ltd. Marianne Kyme, President, Oakmont Ventures Ltd.

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Mr. Tom Milner, Mine Manager Gibraltar Mine P.O. Box 130 McLeese Lake, B.C. VOL 1P0

April 13, 1998

Dear Torn:

I am pleased to report that the Board of Directors of United Gunn has approved a Stage One exploration program on its mineral lands adjoining Gibraltar. The \$245,000 program, scheduled to commence in early May, will consist mainly of geochemical and geophysical surveys with supporting surface sampling and mapping. Craig Payne, M.Sc., P.Geo., Principal, Crest Geological Consultants Limited, has prepared the program and will be managing the execution of the field work. I have worked with Craig on several projects over the past ten years and have found him to be very experienced, capable and professional in all phases of mineral exploration. Craig will be supported by Gary Bysouth who is providing advisory geological services.

As you are aware the management team at United Gunn Resources Ltd. have been long-term players at Gibraltar, and continue to view the Camp as having excellent potential for continued operations well into the next millennium. United Gunn recently completed a comprehensive study of all exploration work conducted in the Camp since the early 1960's, and has correlated that data with new LANDSAT and RADARSAT images. The large database was merged into AutoCAD, and colour composite maps were plotted. As a result of that work several targets were identified and some 8,000 hectares of mineral claims staked during October 1997. During the claim staking some reconnaissance silt sampling and outcrop sampling was conducted; results of this work was positive giving strong support for the targets and in one case identifying a large new precious metals anomaly.

Since the mid 1980's I have provided consulting services to United Gunn, principally as a technical advisor. I work closely with management in developing budgets and operating plans for mineral exploration and mining projects. David Anfield, President of United Gunn shares my vision of communicating and co-operating with Gibraltar mine in conducting exploration programs in the mine area. It is our belief that by focusing the combined experience and talents of United Gunn's and Gibraltar's geological teams toward mineral deposit discovery will vastly improve the odds.

At this time I wish to arrange a technical meeting for Craig Payne with George Barker for the second week of May, at Gibraltar. Craig has been instructed to be fully open in sharing all of the information that United Gunn has assembled in planning its 1998 exploration program. I trust that you will be able to provide similar disclosure. Craig will contact you directly to determine a mutually acceptable meeting date and time.

Yours truly,

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