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HIGHLIGHTS:

*Exploration Review presentation given in Victoria on Nov 23.

*Attended the excellent Eskay Creek workshop in Vancouver on Nov 24.

*KEG directors meeting - discussed KEG 2000 conference ideas and said goodbye to another director, John Laitin, who is leaving Kamloops. I am taking over from John as Treasurer and Bruce Madu is now the Secretary. Leo Lindinger is the new VP and is canvassing local businesses to see if they can donate funds to support "BC Night" at Round-up conference.

*Plutonic-related gold in BC paper (Logan, Lefebure and Cathro) was sent by Logan for outside review and inclusion in the Special Volume to be published at Round-up.

*Nearing completion of a second paper (Cathro and Lefebure) to be published in "Fieldwork, 1999" on new intrusion hosted gold, bismuth and tungsten showings in southern B.C.

*Reviewing draft of "Exploration in B.C." (Tom Schroeter, senior author) to be published as an information circular at Round-up.

*Made a presentation on mineralogy and local geology to group of Grade 6-7-8 gifted students at Summerland Middle School (Scientists in the Schools program)

*Harper Ranch Quarry and Kamloops Cement Plant (Lafarge Canada): Temporary closure announced earlier has been cancelled. 12 workers took early retirement and therefore no workers will be laid off (40 employees at plant now). The quarry and kiln will operate intermittently, depending on demand.

Brassie Creek (Christopher James Gold Corp) - release results of 3 drill holes on this skarn-manto Zn-Cu-Pb-Ag-Au prospect located near Walachin. These holes hit uneconomic Zn values over decent widths (e.g. 29.45 m grading 0.82% Zn).

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Subject: Weekly Report to 12/4/98

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Blackdome Mine - Claimstaker Resources Ltd. announced that its joint-venture partner Jipangu Inc. has confirmed its intention to purchase an additional 15% interest in the mine for a payment of \$1 million. This will bring Jipangu's interest to 50%. Part of their investment will be used to fund an aggressive exploration program to add to ore reserves.

Ranchlands

Ashcroft Zeolite Plant - C2C Mining Corp. (LuVerne Hogg) has completed processing trials at its newly constructed plant in Ashcroft, according to an article in the Kamloops paper. Zeolite is sourced from the Z-2 (Ranchlands) quarry at McAbee, located off Highway #1 east of Cache Creek (formerly optioned by Mountain Minerals/Highwood). The quarry has a small mine permit for 8-9000 tonnes per year production. A packaging facility, employing 7-12 people, will be installed by January to produce bags of barn deodorizer, industrial absorbants and kitty litter marketed as Zippity Doo. Cats throughout western Canada should be pleased with the increased competition....Long term expansion plans call for production of lightweight zeolite concrete, employing as many as 60 people.

Harper Ranch limestone quarry and Kamloops cement plant - E. Beresford and I toured the site yesterday with John Wong, Lafarge's chief chemist. They have a need for cheaper (closer) sources for alumina-silica rich shale (currently coming from Sumas Mountain) and iron (currently using waste from Trail smelter and Molycop plant). Suggested they contact Afton regarding the magnetite-apatite dike located near the old smelter.

Working on maps and talk for Lillooet LRMP (Dec 18th), Ft. Knox/Pogo targets in BC geochem compilation paper, and the 1998 Exploration Review poster and paper for Round-up.

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