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Subject: Kootenay Regional Update for week of August 13th, 2001

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Fire danger in the SE rated high and extreme. Work restrictions in effect as well as camp fire bans. One fire continues to burn north of Elkford.

DFO News:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans is establishing an office in Cranbrook. It is planned that the Cbk office will have two fisheries biologists, as well as two enforcement officers (competitions just closed), reporting to regional office in Nelson, which has recently opened. Location of Cbk office has not yet been determined, although there is some desire to share space with MWALP.

It is our intention to get out with new DFO staff as soon as possible to introduce them to a variety of projects.

DO's:

Sullivan Mine: A water truck engaged by a contractor at Sullivan Mine backed uncontrolled down a 5% ramp and overturned, injuring the driver who was thrown from the vehicle. He suffered a severe laceration to the back of the head and some bruising. The truck (a highway carrier) was severely damaged in the incident.

A small fire occurred Aug 12th at Elkview Coal when the starter shorted out and ignited a cable. The fire was immediately extinguished by the operator.

A small failure of the exposed footwall occurred at Line Creek on August 13. No equipment damage. No injuries.

Western Regional Mine Rescue Comp:

Plans are firming up for the Western Regional mine rescue competition, to be held in Fernie on September 14 (Surface) and 15 (Underground, dinner and awards), 2001. This competition is held every second year and involves teams from BC, AB, Sask, and NW USA. We look forward to seeing some of you there.

Elkview Coal:

Bodie dump external audit done on August 14, with Chris Carr, Chuck Brawner and Ricci Berdusco. The audit is done with Golder Associates and mine staff on an annual basis. This dump is above highway 3 to Alberta.

From David Terry:

Mineral Exploration Activity:

Black Crystal: Crystal Graphite Corp. has discovered a new flake graphite occurrence 200m from its Koch Creek pilot plant and is submitting a NoW to drill test the area. The 2001 exploration drilling and trenching program is 80% complete and the company is commencing the processing of graphite material at its pilot plant.

Ice: Skeena Resources is currently encountering difficulty in accessing water for drilling on the Ice kimberlite prospect near Elkford, resulting in a delay in the initiation of drilling.

Marysville Magnesite: Stralak Resources is beginning a week long mapping program on their Marysville Magnesite

(prior to coll. of bulk sample)

Hot Project: Klondike Gold Corporation is planning to commence drilling of a single 150m hole to test a Sullivan-type target called the Cold Vent in the Purcell Anticlinorium during the week of June 10th on its Hot claims, located east of Yak. Subsequently a 3-4 hole program on Klondike Gold's Crawford Bay property on the east side of Kootenay Lake will be carried out. Further drilling is currently being planned for other Klondike Gold properties in the area.

Black Crystal: Crystal Graphite Corporation has completed two 450m deep drill holes at its Black Crystal Graphite project in an area several hundred metres removed from previous drilling. The company reports that crystalline graphite with similar characteristics and graphite grades to previous shallow drilling was intersected at depth but no analyses have been reported yet. The company is currently permitting a work program involving 30 short diamond drill holes, 100 trenches, 2.8km of road building, and extensive geological mapping. This work is anticipated to commence in early to mid July. Crystal Graphite Corporation has also recently acquired an option to the mine, extract and process any and all graphite material on the Blu Starr Gemstone property owned by Anglo Swiss Resources Inc. and Hampton Court Resources Inc.

Iron Range: Eagle Plains Resources is currently completing a program of prospecting, geological mapping, and soil sampling on its Iron Range property west of Creston where they are pursuing Sullivan and Olympic Dam type targets. The survey covers a 16km strike extent of the Iron Range fault along which 14 hematite-magnetite showings occur. In one location a hematite-magnetite breccia zone extends over a strike length of 3km and widths of 60-150m. Approximately 1200 soil samples are being collected along 500m spaced lines crossing the structure. Preliminary results indicate a significant Zn anomaly (CONFIDENTIAL).

Marysville Magnesite: Stralak Resources is planning an exploration program for this summer on their property covering the Marysville Magnesite deposit, close to Marysville, which will involve detailed geologic mapping, diamond drilling, and collection of a bulk sample. Cominco outlined a resource estimate for the deposit of 14Mt grading 88% MgCO in 1961. No NoW has yet been submitted.

Remac: Redhawk Resources Inc. is currently going through the planning and budgeting process with JV partners ZincOx Resources plc (who will be funding 100% of the exploration this year) for their Remac zinc oxide project. If all goes well they are planning on a significant drilling program later in the summer aimed at outlining a resource. Metallurgical testing is currently underway on samples from Remac at ZincOx's laboratory in England.

Ice Project: Skeena Resources Ltd is currently planning a minimum 4-hole 600m drill program on its Ice diamond project near Elkford. The drilling expected to commence in mid-July.

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