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Imperial Acquires 100% Interest in Nount Polley Mine

January 25, 2001

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA--Imperial Metals Corporation (IFM-TSB) has closed an agreement with Sumitomo Corporation ("Sumitomo") resulting in the restructuring of the term debt on the Mount Polley mine and the purchase of an additional 47.5% interest in the Mount Polley mine from SC Minerals Canada Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitomo). The transaction results in Imperial owning 100% of the Mount Polley copper/gold mine, with restructured term debt on the mine. The purchase price, including the restructured term debt, consists of fixed and conditional payments totalling Con%11.5 million, payable over ten years.

Imperial intends to finance the proposed transaction by issuing up to Cdn95 million of convertible debentures on the following terms:

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Interest Rate:	54 per annun			
Conversion Basis:	one common share for each \$0.25 of			
	principal amount of debenture			
Maturity:	January 31, 2006			

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The maximum total number of common shares issuable upon conversion of all debentures is 20,000,000, representing 24.85% of Imperial's 80,536.385 currently issued and outstanding common shares.

For the year ended December 31, 1999 the Mount Polley mine, located near Williams Lake, B.C., preduced 37.2 million pounds of copper and 101,729 troy ounces of gold. For the year ended December 31, 2000, Mount Polley mine produced 34.2 million pounds of copper and 93,194 troy ounces of gold,

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Mount Polley. Imperial Metals is planning a 12-hole diamond drill program designed to test 3 areas, including the Road zone, north of the open pit.

Willow Creek. Pine Valley is expected to submit its project report in May. Mine construction is scheduled to begin late in 1998.

OTHER

Attended Omineca Exploration Group dinner meeting in MacKenzie. Jacques Houle (Royal Oak Mines) provided an overview of progress at Kemess.

UPCOMING

Attending KEG and presenting talk and poster on 1996 Exploration Highlights in the NE-C region. Invited to provide overview and geological setting of the Gibraltar and Mount Polley deposits as part of post-meeting fieldtrip.

Bob.

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Mount Polley. Official opening now scheduled for Saturday September 13. Fine-tuning of the mill is underway while it is processing close to 800 tonnes of ore per hour. Concentrate has been trucked daily from the site for several weeks now and conc grades meet the designed specifications (close to 30% Cu and about 40 g/t Au). Approximately 31,000 tonnes of ore and waste are being mined from the starter pit each day. The 1190 bench is nearly complete and drilling to 1180 m level has begun.

Willow Creek. Met with Dave Fawcett, Pine Valley Coal Ltd., along with Ed Beswick and Dave Morgan, to discuss various aspects of the Willow Creek coal project.

FIELD WORK

AI. On July 24, Larry Diakow, Jamie Pardy and I visited with AGC Americas Gold Corporation project geologist, John Pukas. AGC is currently drilling near the Bonanza-Ghost pit, on the AL property, using a Nodwell-mounted Super-38 (Elgin Drilling, based out of Calgary). AGC is twinning some 1987 drill holes to confirm the old data. Core from previous drilling programs on the property has not been located and is assumed to have been buried during reclamation. Diamond drill core from holes AL97-5 and 6 were examined. The mineralized section in hole AL97-6 occurs over an 18 metre interval and consists of a core of coarse-grained quartz and barite with 10-12 % sulphides including chalcopyrite, bornite, tetrahedrite and pyrite flanked by frothy silica with local pockets of barite and traces of sulphide minerlization.

A 1988 Wright Engineering feasibility study on the AL property provides the following reserves, which were calculated using a 3.5 g/t Au cutoff grade:

Bonanza (highgrade) zone - 15,560 tonnes grading 9.49 g/t Au

BV zone - 49,970 tonnes grading 10.95 g/t Au

Thesis III zone - 28,060 tonnes grading 12.64 g/t Au

The current 6,000 metre drill will be expanded if / when the pending deal with Antares is completed. AGC has also employed the services of Aerodat to conduct a Mag-EM-Radiometrics airborne (helicopter) surveys over its' AL-JD-Moose contiguous block of claims north of the Toodoggone River.

An agreement between AGC Americas Gold Corp., and Antares Exploration and Mining has apparently been signed and should provide secure project financing for several years. The agreement will result in Antares becoming the majority (55-60%) owner of the claim group.

Green Jade. Dormant jade property visited on July 21 in conjunction with an inspection by Jamie Pardy. Boulders and sub-outcrop of mottled and fractured, pale green nephrite and are considered to be poor quality jade. Work on the property was last performed in 1995 when a series of fences were drilled to test the down dip extension of the jade along the north bank of O'Ne-el Creek.

Mount Sydney Williams. First Point Minerals has completed their mapping and sampling program on this *unusual* nickel prospect, hosted in serpentinized harzburgite, located south of Takla Lake. The target is a large tonnage, leachable deposit. Assay data, including small-scale 'bulk test' results, will be carefully examined before any further work is committed to the property. A visit to the property, with Jamie Pardy, was made on July 21.

Pinchi Mine. Visited the past producer with Bert Struik (GSC) on July 16. Examined mineralization in the two open pits and looked at a number of outcrops west of the mine.

Takla Mercury Mine. Briefly toured the site that produced for only 9 months, during 1943-44, prior to closing for good. Mineralization is at least crudely similar to that at Pinchi--cinnabar occurs in brecciated limestone. Much of the mill equipment is still on site, as are many old camp structures.

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yard/hour plant presently operates at about half capacity, or 500-600 yards/day, but will reach full capacity in the near future when a second 30-tonne haul truck is acquired.

Notant Polley. Visited with mine geologist Chris-Wild on June 20 and examined the most recent face in the starter pit as well as diamond drill core from this years exploration drilling. An Arthole diamond drilling program has been completed. It was aimed at identifying ore grade material on the east and south margins of the Cariboo pit. Part of this years exploration program also includes an IP survey to be completed over the Road zone and a property-wide bedrock mapping program that will be tied in with mapping the pit as new faces are developed. Official mine opening has been rescheduled to September (from August 8th).

FIELD WORK

Located and sampled fossil (psuedomonotis?) locality in the Pine Pass area on June 5. Samples are on display in the Prince George office.

Spent June 6 with Bob Omand, PA grant recipient, on his **Bob** claims southwest of Windy Point. Report to Gary Payle (GSB, Victoria) in progress.

Visited the **Gold Panners Paradise** mineral claims owned by George Jennex, on June 9. He has big plans to operate a placer 'theme park', but does not yet own the surface rights to the area. Potential for lode gold exists on the property in an area that the old timers apparently did not mine. Presently, small scale placer mining is taking place in one pit.

Spanish Mountain and **Gold#1** properties. Investigated claims with owner, Bob Mickle, that cover the north flank of Spanish Mountain down to Spanish Creek and partly surround the **CPW** claim (owned by Eastfield Resources), that hosts high grade gold veins. **Last year the** property was trenched by **Cyprus Canada**. Mineralization consists of millimeter to 30-centimetre wide quartz-sulphide veins that occur sporadically throughout graphitic and phyllitic argillites and siltstones of the Nicola Group. Pyrite is the dominant vein sulphide, and where it is not obliterated by oxidation, occurs as subhedral to euhedral masses in the veins. Near surface, pyrite is partly to completely oxidized leaving a well developed boxwork texture. Native gold occurs as delicate jagged grains within the limonitic boxwork indicating that gold is, or was, intergrown with pyrite. The veins also carry trace amounts of euhedral galena, chalcopyrite and tetrahedrite. This property has the potential to host a bulk tonnage gold deposit.

Ace. Visited the Ace property with Trygve Hoy, Fil Ferri and Ray Lett on June 26. Barker Minerals continues to evaluate the property, located east of Cariboo Lake, for its' potential to host a VMS deposit. Trenching and test pitting began in mid-June and is targeting coincident IP-boulder train geochem anomalies near 26 km on the 8400 road. Bedrock exposed in trenches consists of quartz-sericite and quartz-biotite (chlorite) schists that typically contain trace amounts to 2-3% sulphides (pyrrhotite, pyrite and chalcopyrite). The more mafic varieties typically are more sulphide-rich. The foliated rocks are cut by quartz-sericite-sulphide veins up to 1 metre wide. Vein sulphides also include pyrrhotite, pyrite and chalcopyrite, but galena has also been noted. Several trenches, off Colleen Road, from the late-1996 program, were also examined. They exposed grey phyllites and a one-metre wide quartz-sulphide vein. The company has plans for an expanded exploration program, including diamond drilling, but may not proceed with it if its attempt to obtain a listing on the ASE is not successful.

QR. Senior Exploration Geologist, Jim Fortin, and recently hired Mine Geologist, Steve Phillips, provided Ed Beswick and me with an update and tour of underground development work on the

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- Babcock (Quintette). The Babcock development, managed by Quintette Operating Corporation, is immediately S-SE of the Shikano Pit. Phase 1 of the project includes development and mining of the Little Windy Starter Pit, which will be completed by September or October, 1997 (480,000 - 500,000 tonnes total will be mined from the starter pit). By March 31, 1998 - Shikano, Wolverine and Deputy pits will be closed (reserves exhausted). The current schedule of mining runs to 2003.
- Kemess South. Over 400 workers are currently onsite. Construction is more than 50% complete. Tep soil is being stripped from the pit area; the roof is on the mill and service complexes; tailings dam construction is steadily progressing, and; mining equipment is arriving daily, including seven 260 tonne Euclid diesel-electric haul trucks that are on their way from the factory in Guelph, Ontario. Logging of the powerline will resume following the approval of amendments to the logging plans and the issuance of the Licence to Cut for the centre section of the 384 km right-of-way. An injunction by First Nations has been sought to prevent any further work on the powerline access corridor. The application will be heard in court on June 16-17th.
- Mount Polley. The mine is in the final preparations prior to start-up and should be fully operational by the end of June. The crusher has been processing waste which is being used to upgrade mine roads; staff are now housed in the combined concentrator/office complex; drilling of the starter pit has resumed, and; exploration/definition drilling is underway on the southeast margin of the existing pit design. The tentative date for official startup is August 22.
 - QR. Operating at approximately 1400 tpd! Development of the Midwest underground zone is progressing very well, but mining of the zone has not yet begun. Once underground mining commences higher grade ore from the development will be blended with lower grade Main zone ore. Mining is continuing at the Main Zone open pit with gold grades in the 3-4 g/t range.

Willow Creek. The Willow Creek Coal property consists of 33 coal licenses in Willow Creek area. It is being explored by Pine Valley Coal Ltd. To date 523 exploration drill holes, totaling 34,500 metres, have been completed in Willow Creek coal block. In addition, 50 percussion holes have been drilled on claims to the SE in the Pine Pass area. The mineable reserve now stands at 15 million tonnes of low grade ('semi-soft') metallurgical coal and thermal coal. An Environmental Impact Assessment and Mine Permit application are expected by June or July, 1997. If the project receives the necessary permits, construction will commence in May of 1998 with startup scheduled for October-November, 1998. The planned 600,000 tonne per year operation has an estimated minimum mine life of 20 years.

The deposit occurs on the north side of Willow Creek and the coal measures are hosted by the Gething Formation within the east limb of the Pine River anticline. The coal occurs in 8 major seams (estimated combined thickness is about 21 metres) which are gently dipping and are affected by minor block faulting. The coal will be mined from three pits: North, North-Central and South-Central blocks. The mine will employ approximately 85 to 100 workers.

Winter drilling was completed by the first week of April. A 2-tonne bulk sample, is planned for July, using large diameter drilling. Geotech drilling will also take place this summer.

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Brian Kynoch Senior Vice President & Chief Operating Officer Imperial Metals Corporation 420-355 Burrard Street Vancouver, B.C. V6C 2G8

June 19, 2000

Dear Brian:

Re: MOUNT POLLEY MINE - PGE CREDITS

First of all, I enjoyed your update on the mine at the recent **CIM** meeting in Williams Lake on May 27th. You presented some excellent figures and clearly showed how the province could help keep the operation running. I hope everything works out! At a tour to the mine the previous day, May 26th, Greg Gillstrom gave us an excellent overview of the operation. I was very interested to hear that there were PGE values in the concentrate. I informed Greg that the BC Geological Survey Branch was working on a "PGEs in BC" project and that I would very much appreciate any technical documentation on the existence of PGEs in the ore at Mount Polley. It would be great to have an idea of the level or range of PGE values. Greg indicated that he would contact you, or alternatively I should, to make this request. If the information is to be considered "confidential", then it will be treated as such. If you will allow it to be incorporated into our MINFILE database system, we would be most pleased to do so. One of the aspects we're examining is the distribution of PGEs in alkaline porphyry systems. Thanking you in advance.

cc. Greg Gillstrom Mount Polley Mining Corp.

Yours sincerely,

Tom G. Schroeter, P.Eng. Senior Regional Geologist

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Mount Polley Mine

Imperial Metals Corporation presently owns and operates the Mount Polley Mine. There are two issues which they would like to discuss.

Power for Jobs

When Imperial Metals developed the Mount Polley mine they had an understanding that they would be eligible for any future deals on power should they become available during the mine life.

Forest Practices Code, billing for immature timber

The Ministry of Forests has billed Mount Polley \$173,811.86 for the destruction and damage of immature timber. Imperial has raised technical and philosophical concerns. The technical concern is that the <u>Forest Act</u> requires an assessment of timber under section 139 which was not doru:

The philosophical concern is that Mount Polley is being assessed charges for the destruction of immature timber while the mine's permit requires that the site be reclaimed and security posted to ensure that is done. Imperial regards the charges as unfair and would like relief and recognition that a resource use decision was made when the Mine Development Certificate was granted. The Mine Development Assessment Process carefully considered the costs and benefits of this mine and concluded that the mine was the best use for this land. Forestry resources will be temporarily displaced during mining and reclaimed after mine closure.

However, the charges are the result of Ministry of Forests policies. Similar concerns regarding Ministry of Forests policies have been raised by other B.C. mining companies. Measures to address the various concerns require time to develop, could have widespread policy implications, and may (ntail significant impacts on provincial revenues. To develop more equitable, mine-specific policies for the Ministers' consideration, Ministry staff expect to begin working on these issues with the Ministry of Forests, the MABC, and affected companies, such as Imperial, later this month.

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September 1997 Monthly Report for the Northeast-Central Region by Bcb Lane, Regional Geologist, Prince George

MINES and MINE DEVELOPMENTS

Mount Polley OFFICIAL CPENING held on September 13. An estimated 300+ were in attendance. The project was completed in June at a cost of \$115 million, approximately \$8.5 million under budget and about 5 months ahead of schedule. Full production of 18 000 tpd will yield 71,500 ounces (2.22 million grams) of gold and 29 million pounds (13 200 tonnes) of copper per annum over the 12 year mine life. Mining is going very smoothly, but there are some minor adjustments needed in the mill to reach capacity. Four exploration holes were just completed south of the pit and identified mineralized, but subeconomic, breccias similar to those that host part of the deposit.

QR. The mine is currently producing from the Midwest zone (underground) using longwall stoping methods. The Main zone has been re-accessed and broken ore is being removed from the pit using relatively small equipment. The mill is processing 800 to 900 tpd. Target production through the winter is 18,000 tonnes per month. Plans call for the West zone pit to be brought into production in early 1998 following an est. \$2 million prestripping program. This waste will be placed in the mined out Main pit. Exploration to date includes 14 surface diamond drill holes, totaling approx. 6700 metres, that targeted the North zone and areas between the Midwest and West zones. Detailed soil geochemistry has identified new targets west of the Midwest zone in areas that had more or less been written off in the past.

Kemess. Mine development continues on all major projects at the site. Approximately 1000 workers are on site. Examined intensely folded and pyritic Paleozoic cherts exposed on the footwall (north wall) of the Kemess South orebody. Also investigated supergene mineralization exposed immediately north of the pit ring road. Abundant native copper and chalcocite occur as disseminations and fracture fillings in hematite volcanic breccia.

EXPLORATION MONITORING

Beekeeper/Arab (093A 155). NoW submitted by Eastfield Resources for 5 diamond drill holes to test the Cu-Au potential of the Early Jurassic alkalic porphyry system. A 7-hole program was completed in March and was followed up by an IP survey and the staking of 48 additional claim units. Drilling will test several of the IP anomalies.

CH. Orvana has completed a 7-hole diamond drill program on their Cu porphyry prospect in the Nechako Plateau.

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO: See Below

Subject: Lane Weekly Report for April 13 - 26.

Lane Weekly Report for April 13-26.

MINING and DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Bullmoose. The Bullmoose mine, 61% owned by Teck Corporation, produced 1.92 million tonnes of clean metallurgical coal during 1996, a slight increase over the 1995 total of 1.86 million tonnes. Mining takes place from the South Fork pit, which has a mineable reserve of 10.9 million tonnes (sufficient until 2003). A 30-hole, 3000-metre drill program, to test for coal quality, was conducted within the active pit. The coal resource in the nearby West Fork deposit is an estimated 14.3 million tonnes and may be developed in the future.

Quintette. The Quintette coal mine, operated by Teck, produced 3.43 million tonnes of clean metallurgical coal in 1996, down from the 1995 total of 3.69 million tonnes. Clean coal reserves, of approximately 9 million tonnes, are contained in Mesa, Wolverine and Shikano pits. Shikano will be in operation for another year before its reserves are exhausted. Additional reserves are contained in the Mesa Extension and Babcock deposits. The Babcock mine plan was revised in 1996 and calls for far less land disturbance than originally proposed (1982) in order to extract coal reserves from the Little Windy and Big Windy pits. Little Windy Phase 1 development commenced in 1996 and is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1997. The current mineable reserves for the Babcock deposit are 11.5 million tonnes at a strip ratio of 8.8:1.

Baker. Sable Resources produced 52 700 grams of gold, 498 860 grams of silver and 8.6 tonnes of copper, from the milling of 2338 tonnes of ore from the Multinational B crebody on the old Baker-Dupont mine in the Toodoggone. In 1997, the company plans to mine additional tonnage from this small open pit development, as well as reprocess approximately 2300 tonnes of tailings. A modest exploration program is also planned.

Mount Polley. Unofficial startup is set for June 1st. The official opening will probably take place in early August. Chris Wild (ex-Goldstream mine geologist) will be the mine geologist at Mount Polley. A 12-hole diamond drill program will get underway in 5-6 weeks and will focus on the east margin of the Caribco pit, near the proposed ramp.

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November 1996 Monthly Report for the Northeast-Central Region by Bob Lane, Regional Geologist, Prince George

MINES and MINE DEVELOPMENTS

Baker. Sable Resources produced 63 tons of concentrate, grading 24 opt Au, 240 opt Ag and 15% Cu, from the milling of 2577 tons of ore from the Multinational B orebody. In 1997 the company plans to mine addition tonnage from this small open pit development, as well as reprocess approximately 2500 tons of tailings. Further reclamation and a modest exploration program are also planned.

Kemess South. Construction is continuing at a fast pace considering weather conditions. Over 300 people are at the mine site; the airstrip is almost complete—the final surface layer will be added next year and the airstrip access road is complete; development of structures that will divert the flow of Kemess Creek away from the tailings impoundment area, are underway.

Mount Polley. Approximately 750,000 tonnes of ore and waste have been mined from the starter pit, located between the Cariboo and Bell pits. The crushing plant is expected to start up in the spring and process waste for use as road bed material. The concentrator/service/office complex and crusher building are roofed and clad. Interior construction is ongoing and will continue throughout the winter.

Mt. Milligan. Placer Dome Inc. continues to re-evaluate the economics of their bulk tonnage Cu-Au porphyry project in the Omineca. Site work has included test pitting, geotechnical drilling and a fish study as well as public relations meetings.

QR. Third quarter production totaled 14,036 ounces of gold at cash operating costs of US\$220/ounce. Total production for the first 9 months of the year is 30,806 ounces of gold. Current mineable reserves, from the Main, Midwest and West zones combined, total 1.2 million tonnes with an average grade of 4.3 gpt Au. The mine opened in June of last year with mineable reserves of 1.3 million tonnes grading 4.5 gpt Au (visited Oct. 1/96 and Oct. 28/96).

EXPLORATION MONITORING

Beekeeper. Results have been released from a 10-hole diamond drill program on this porphyry copper-gold prospect located 22 km SE of Mount Polley. Three holes returned encouraging assays including 30 metres grading 0.31 gpt Au and 0.20% Cu in B-96-1; and 22 metres grading 0.96 gpt Au and 0.70% Cu in B-96-3.

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Subject: Lane Weekly Report for Oct. 27 - Nov. 2.

PROPERTY VISITS

QR.) On October 28 Pat McAndless, Rad Pesajl (Imperial Metals geologists) and I were given a tour of the underground workings on the Midwest zone at QR. Drifts extend east and west from the decline at vertical intervals of 20 metres. We looked at faces on the 985E, 985W and 1005E exploration/development drifts.

There has been no production from the Midwest zone yet, but it is scheduled to get underway early next year. Mining is taking place from a small starter pit on the NW end of the West zone zone, as well as from the 980 level bench of the Main zone.

A temporary shutdown of all mining will take place in mid December and last for approximately 6 - 8 weeks. During that time the mill will process stockpiled ore from the Main and West zones. Mining is scheduled to resume in late January-early February from the underground developments on the Midwest zone. Later on mining will resume from the Main zone, but reserves there will be exhausted by August. Approximately 170,000 tonnes will be mined from the SE end of the West zone, also. The current mineral resource for QR is:

> 300,000 tonnes grading 4.3 gpt Au for the Main zone 350,000 tonnes grading 4.9 gpt Au for the Midwest zone 550,000 tonnes grading 4.9 gpt Au for the West zone

An exploration budget of at least \$1 million has been established for 1997. Areas targeted for drilling will be the basalt-siltstone contact east of the Main zone, North zone and West zone.

Mount Polley. On October 28, Rad Pesajl provided a quick tour and progress report of Imperial Metals mine development, near Likely. Approximately 750,000 tonnes of ore and waste have been mined from the starter pit, located between the Cariboo and Bell pits. The concentrator/service/office complex and crusher building are roofed and clad. Interior construction is ongoing and will continue throughout the winter. About 1 foot of snow has accumulated at the site.

EXPLORATION MONITORING

Multinational B (Baker). Sable Resources processed approximately 2,500 tons of ore this year, but was unable to complete their program due to early onset of winter. The company plans to spend a minimum of \$150,000 on exploration next

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Subject: Lane Weekly Report for Oct. 7-12.

EXPLORATION MONITORING

Ace. / A modest trenching program is expected to get under way next week on Barker Minerals Ace property in the Likey area. The company will be testing several coincident I.P.-geocemical anomalies south of the Little River.

Ecstall Mining Corp. is unhappy with the diamond drill program conducted Akie. by 60% JV partner Inmet Mining Corp, on the Cardiak Creek zone. Ecstall feels that Inmet did not live up to the requirements of the joint venture agreement and is considering legal action!

Beekeeper. Drilling has started on this joint venture project, owned equally by Eastfield Resources Ltd. (operator) and Imperial Metals Corporation, located near Horsefly. Approximately 4,500 ft. of reverse circulation drilling is planned. Progress so far has been good and the program is expected to wrap up in about two weeks.

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Recieved Notice of Completion stipulating that this years exploration gram has officially been terminated. JD. program has officially been terminated.

Redgold.) Imperial Metals plan to conduct a modest diamond drill program on their Redgold property in November. They are intrigued with the disseminated copper mineralization and intense alteration/metasomatism seen in core from early 1990s drilling.

Paker (Terr(1991) Multinational B. Ed Pittman and Graham Seal-Jones report that Sable Resources has mined 2,500 tonnes of ore from the B Vein on the old Baker mine property and are currently milling the material at a rate of 170 tpd. They should complete the project in the next 2-3 weeks. Head grades are 0.8 opt Au. The operation is expected to produce 6 to 6.5 three-thousand ton bags of concentrate that grades 35 opt Au, 200 opt Ag and 16% Cu. Shutdown and reclamation of the site will follow.

Imperial Metals has proposed the excavation of two test pits for Mount Polley further metallurical testing purposes.

Chaco Bear. Imperial Metals plans to commence drilling on the porphyry copper propect, located west of Bear Lake and northwest of Takla Lake, this weekend.

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Subject: Prince George Update to Mar. 20

Issues:

Kemess: Mechanical contractor has left site because lack of payment. Responding to hours of work complaint filed with WCB. Company needs to raise money to finish project. Project over 92% complete with concentrates scheduled to be shipped in mid May. At this point, the key milestone is getting concentrates to MacKenzie. Funding for independent environmental monitor through spring needs to be confirmed. 300 people at site.

Willow Creek Permit review with First Nations ongoing next week. Gregg Stewart in contact with PVC regarding initial security requirements. Potential for Coal Co-Gen plant being considered. Construction decision expected by end of April.

Capacity for First Nations Participation in projects and permit reviews is becoming a critical issue. Commission

Mt. Polley JPC review underway in hopes of keeping this mine operational through present weak markets.

Major portion of Wapiti Lake PPA staked by miner who Land Use: Dawson Creek: is interested in the phosphate occurrences previously evaluated by Esso in 1980. Table should consider this new information. Discussions with the owner ongoing. $Wap_{H} - Land USE$

FYI:

DO at Bullmoose - Explosives accessories truck ran away as a result of a transmission failure. Fortunately the wheels were turned towards a berm and the light truck came to rest within 30 meters, without any injury to workers or any significant damage. Under investigation by OHSC.

DO at Quintette: 170T truck lost steering and came to rest on berm. Under investigation by OHSC.

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September 25, 1989

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Dear Mr. Pesalj:

Re: Mount Polley Copper/Gold Project - Prospectus (June, 1989)

Participants in the Mine Development Review Process (MDRP) have completed their review of your company's June, 1989 prospectus. I attach review comments for your information and necessary action. A Stage I submission will be required for this project. I apologize for the delay in forwarding official comments to you. However, I trust that you have already received the key agency inputs through informal direct contact with review agencies. With respect to the Stage I submission, if no major issues arise during Stage I studies and a preliminary screening of a draft Stage I submission, it will be our intention to regionalize review of that report so that, when filed, it will be handled by a locally-based committee, rather than by the Victoria-based Mine Development Steering Committee. However, in the meantime, the Mine Development Steering Committee will maintain responsibility for coordinating MDRP agency discussions with your company regarding the Stage I study program. Details are provided later in my letter.

The attached review comments should be viewed as terms of reference for the forthcoming Stage I submission. Prior to embarking on the Stage I study program, if it has not already done so, your company is urged to meet with government agencies which have a major interest in your project to fine-tune the terms of reference. If any Stage I advice or information requirements are unclear, please contact me, and I will seek clarification.

A decision on project approval-in-principle will be made after the Stage I submission has been reviewed. Approval-in-principle will be granted if there are no major outstanding policy or technical concerns. It is especially important for the Stage I submission to focus on what agencies have identified as the key issues. I should note that the following agencies raised no concerns with respect to your company's project, and decline further involvement in project review:

- the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries
- the Ministry of Education; and,
- the Ministry of Attorney General.

Please contact me when your company is ready to submit the Draft Stage I report. The Mine Development Steering Committee (MDSC) will require ten (10) copies of the submission for a two-week screening. If major deficiencies are identified, upgrading will be required prior to detailed review of the formal submission. The MDSC will then decide whether or not to delegate the Stage I review to the recently formed Northeast/Cariboo Mine Development Review Committee. About thirty-five (35) copies of the formal submission will be required to be sent directly to MDRP participants, once accepted for formal detailed review. A list of names and addresses will be provided. In addition, you will be requested to send copies to local governments, Native groups, public libraries and other interested parties, as was the case for the prospectus.

In closing, thank you for your company's cooperation with the review process to date. Please contact me if you have any questions (phone: 356-2229).

Yours truly,

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