



News Release

NEW MASSIVE SULPHIDE INTERSECTIONS DISCOVERED AT WESTMIN'S MYRA FALLS OPERATIONS

CAMPBELL RIVER (August 14, 1989) – Exploration diamond drilling at Westmin's Myra Falls Operations on Vancouver Island, has intersected significant thicknesses of massive sulphide mineralization in the newly named Ridge Zone, an area north and approximately 300 metres below the existing Lynx Mine workings. The intersections are on the same stratigraphic horizon as the ore deposits of the H-W Mine located some three kilometres away.

Two diamond drillholes, 60 metres apart, intersected 15.0 and 26.0 metres of pyritic massive sulphides respectively. The best diamond drillhole so far encountered a 14 metre intersection assaying at: 0.3 g/tonne gold; 20.7 g/tonne silver; 1.8 per cent copper and 7.8 per cent zinc.

Encouraging results have also been found in other areas of the Ridge Zone, consisting of two to four metre thick polymetallic ore grade massive sulphide intersections. Although it would not be economically feasible to mine these smaller intersections by themselves, explains Dr. Stephen Juras, Exploration Geologist, they will complement the new Ridge Zone discovery should further exploration prove to be successful.

Exploration drifting (tunnelling) is underway to allow continued diamond drilling in the area to ascertain the total extent of the discovery.

The Myra Falls Operations are owned by Westmin Mines Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Westmin Resources Limited. Over 700 people are employed at the Myra Falls Operations which include the H-W and Lynx Mines, a 4,000 tonne/day milling facility, and a shipping terminal. Westmin Resources Limited is traded on the Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver Stock Exchanges.

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