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CUSAC GOLD MINES LTD.

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PLATINUM GROUP METALS CONFIRMED - Guilford H.Brett, presi-AT CLEARWATER PROJECT, BC dent, reports Cusac Gold Mines Ltd. has

completed a reconnaissance-scale geophysical exploration program including line-cutting (17 km), induced polarization (1P), VLF-electromagnetic and magnetic susceptibility surveys along seven widely-spaced gridlines traversing selected portions of the large ultra-mafic intrusive contained within its Clearwater Platinum project, located on its Golden Loon property located just west of the town of Little Fort, north of Kamloops, southern BC. (SEE CLAIM

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Several IP anomalies that display very significant size and amplitude have been detected on several lines, some with coincident, strong increases in magnetic anomalies are, in general, complex and are likely composed of many closely-spaced zones of magnetite, chromite and sulphide mineralization, suggesting a potentially well-differentiated intrusion. Further geological work, particularly an expanded program of trenching, is warranted to evaluate the near surface, geophysical responses, while drilling will be required to test other important geophysical targets.

The company plans to begin trenching to expose bedrock within a large, near-surface chargeability anomaly situated adjacent to a strong magnetic anomaly on the 500W grid line, on the eastern portion on the property where a bedrock sample of chromitiferous dunite (#165502, McDougall 1999), was obtained and which returned an initial assay of nearly 0.50 grams platinum/tonne. (Acme Laboratory, Vancouver, BC).

The closing price of platinum as of 3Oct2000 was US \$580/oz. A recent re-assay of this sample by nickel sulphide fire assay (NIS FA) and instrumental neutron activation analysis (INAA), one of the most complete and accurate methods for measuring concentrations of all six platinum group elements (PGE's) in rocks, confirmed the approximate level of platinum content in this sample and also confirmed that other valuable PGE's, including iridium (~US \$400/oz,), osmium (~US \$400/oz) and rhodium (~US \$2000/oz) not previously determined by lead fire assay, are also present in potentially significant amounts (Activation Laboratories, Ancaster, Ont.), boosting the combined platinum group element content of the sample to 0.6 to 0.7 grams/tonne. In addition, this sample also contained about 0.13% (acid-leachable) nickel and 3% to 5% chromite, which are additional, potentially valuable components of the platiniferous chromite mineralization represented by this sample.

Cusac Gold Mines holds an option to earn an 85% interest in the Golden Loon property from <u>TILAVA MINING CORP</u>. (private). (SEE GCNL NO.154, 11Aug2000, P.3 FOR PREVIOUS CLEARWATER PLATINUM PROJECT INFORMATION)

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