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FAIRFIELD MINERALS LTD.

[FFD-T] 7,243,181 SHS. GOLD REFINING UNDERWAY - Duane Poliquin, P.Eng., reports Fairfield Minerals Ltd. has recently shipped all of its remaining gold bullion holding to Johnson Matthey Ltd. in Brampton, Ontario, for upgrading to the North American standard of 9999 fineness (99.99% purity). Following the refining procedure, Johnson Matthey advised gold credits totalling 8,147 troy ounces will be held on account for future sales at Fairfield's discretion. At current spot prices and currency exchange

rates, this bullion has a value of about CDN \$3,600,000. The gold was obtained from past production at the 100% owned Siwash Mine/Elk property in south-central BC. This project is currently under review for possible reactivation pending further sustained gold price increases.

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