

**DRC RESOURCES CORP.**

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TO *NORTHERN MINER* STATEMENT

"AFTON RESOURCE IS NOT IMPORTANT"

John H. Kruzick, president, DRC Resources Corp., reports the program at the 100% optioned Afton Mine project located 10 miles southwest of Kamloops, south-central BC, is innovative since the company has conducted most of its drilling from the 1610 bench in the open-pit, fanning out drill holes along the 500-foot length. This was necessary because of poor access to drill set-ups in the pit. Because of the different mineralogy and textures of the hypogene zone compared to the upper oxide zone, the 6% to 8% copper was not initially distinguished until the rock was examined under the microscope.

J.J. McDougall and Associates Ltd., in a 10Oct2000 report, concluded:

"The 2000 Diamond Drill Program to date has established the presence of a substantial 'primary hypogene copper zone' below and beyond the open pit bottom. The mineral zone, still open in all directions including to surface, is a northeast striking tabular body with an average dip -70° southeast. It measures in excess of 700 feet (213 m) in strike length, up to 450 feet (137 m.) in width and extending to a depth of at least 1,000 feet (303 m) below pit bottom, with no indication of narrowing along strike or down dip. A preliminary tonnage estimate of the mineral zone tested to date indicates at least 25,000,000 tons averaging 2.5% copper or 3% copper equivalent. Further exploration, of the mineral zone along strike and to depth will be required to develop additional tonnage." Mr. McDougall recommended a \$4,200,000 exploration budget for the Afton Project.

DRC intends to implement a scoping study and feels confident the results of the studies will prove the project to be viable, otherwise the company would not be expending funds on further exploration or further studies. The company has received proposals from a number of mineral industry consultants to perform a Scoping Study.

James Whyte's 20Nov2000 article in the *Northern Miner* states the exploration results of the Afton mineral zone was predictable and that the large resource at the base of the pit is not important. On the

contrary, DRC was quite surprised to receive such favourable results from its new drilling, and is of the view a large resource at the base of the pit is important since a number of mines in Canada and the U.S. have been mined by underground methods after open-pit operations have ceased. Mr. Whyte states additional reserves found below the open-pit 13 years ago were not enough to keep the pit in operation; however, bulk tonnage underground mining methods are now highly mechanized and cost efficient which, could, along with our better grades, prove economic. Mr. Kruzick is optimistic planned studies will confirm, the economic viability.

J.J. McDougall & Associates, P.Eng., is overseeing the Afton diamond drilling & geological field-work.

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