

COVE ENERGY CORPORATION (COV-V)

JOINT VENTURER PARTNER- Cove reported Granges has **SOUGHT FOR ALPINE PROJECT** terminated the option to acquire a 50% interest in the Alpine project from Cove. Possible joint ventures are under discussion with others.

Cove Energy Corp. reported that underground diamond drill testing has confirmed extension and dip of the major vein on the Alpine project 25 km northeast of Nelson, B.C. Drilling from a recently completed drift extension on the number 10 level intersected a 4.5 foot section assaying 4.1 oz.gold/ton.

The high grade hole, drilled into the vein at minus five degrees north, attempted to probe through the foot wall and intersected 37.5 feet of mineralization averaging (uncut) 0.66 oz.gold/ton.

The company said its first underground probe from the new drift cut a five-foot section averaging 0.5 oz.gold/ton. The hole, drilled at minus eight degrees south, cut the vein from 86 feet to 91 feet.

A second drill station, 50 feet further into the new drift, was drilled at minus 10 degrees south, and cut a 9.5 foot section from 83 to 92.5 feet that returned an average value of 0.48 oz.gold/ton.

The results are consistent with historic records that report 17,095 tons of hand-cobbed production that yielded 11,413 ounces of gold, 7,027 ounces of silver, 104,761 pounds of lead and 37,663 pounds of zinc.

Cove has spent in excess of \$800,000 on mine re-furbishment, road re-construction and exploration. John S. Vincent, P.Eng. has recommended a further \$772,500 development program. Discussions also have been initiated with several parties respecting financing of further development of the project.

Cove has granted MAVERICK NATURALITE BEEF CORP. (MNB-V) an option to earn a 50% interest in three mineral claims in the Snip area, 100 km north of Stewart, B.C. To earn the interest Maverick must complete \$400,000 exploration and issue 200,000 shares to Cove over two years. Maverick has arranged a private placement of 500,000 units at 40¢ each to PRIME CAPITAL CORPORATION with a warrant on a further 500,000 shares at 50¢ for one year, subject to regulatory approval.

NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES LTD. (NAV-V)

EXPLORATION START ON ZEBALLOS GOLD CLAIM - Mounir Nassar, president

has reported that geological crews have started work on the Independence gold property of North American Ventures Ltd. The property is located 4 km north of Tahsis, 8 km east of Zeballos, northwest coast of Vancouver Island, B.C. The Main showing within two westerly trending shear hosted veins cutting andesitic volcanic rock was explored by open cuts and a 150 meter adit in 1939 by Bralorne Mines Ltd. The Main showing varies from 2 meters to 30 centimeters in thickness along a 150 meter length and remains open on strike and to depth. Sampling of the shear assayed 1.18 oz.gold/t and resampling of the adit assayed 0.528 oz.gold/t. The North shear zone is up to two meters wide and has been traced in outcrop for ten meters. A one meter channel sample assayed 0.036 oz.gold/t. Soil sampling showed anomalous values in copper, silver and zinc. A limited geophysical program of VLF- electromagnetic and magnetic surveys located several anomalous conductors. One of the conductors is co-incident with the North-Star zone. In a Feb.15, 1988 report consultant J.A.McClintock, P.Eng., said work to date indicates good potential for a high-grade, vein type, gold-silver deposit similar to those mined elsewhere in the Zeballos Gold camp. The consultant notes that the veins on the Independence are in similar host andesitic volcanic rocks as the veins now being produced at the New Privateer Mine, 20 km to the northwest.

The program now underway includes, geological mapping, prospecting, detailed soil sampling and VLF electromagnetic surveying, rock chip sampling and trenching. Phase two may include diamond drill testing if sufficiently strong targets are developed.

By an April 21,1988 prospectus the company sold 300,000 shares at 55¢ each to net \$148,500 and bringing the issued shares to 1,560,000. Mr. Nassar stated that while all of the current efforts are toward development of the Zeballos gold property, management is seeking new projects that will permit diversification.

CANOVA RESOURCES LTD. (CVD-V)

ATLIN DRILLING RESUMED- Canova Resources Ltd. president James H. Hirst has reported Homestake Mining Company of San Francisco have resume diamond drilling on the Yellow Jacket gold discovery at Atlin, B.C. This first hole is targeted to test the plunging ore shoot potential of the Yellow Jacket mineralized zone. A total of 3,900 feet of diamond drilling is planned for the current phase of exploration.