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IMPERIAL METALS CORPORATION (IPM-T.M.V)

MOUNT POLLEY FEASIBILITY- Imperial Metals Corporation, STUDY EXPECTED SOON chairman, Dr. Hugh C.Morris.

has reported to public meetings in Hilliams Lake, Likely and 150 Mile House, B.C. that 34 drill holes on the Mount Polley (Cariboo Bell) copper, gold project have better defined the outer limits of the property's three open pit zones. The property is located 60 miles SE of Quesnel, B.C. Work to be completed by the end of August will include a geotechnical study by Knight and Piesold as well as drill testing of the mill site, waste dump and tailings disposal sites. Results from the first part of the program have been encouraging. A feasibility study and bulk metallurgical testing program results are expected to be presented soon.

Mount Polley is held 33.64% by Imperial Metals, 38.41% by <u>CORONA CORPORATION</u>(ICR.A,ICR.B-T,V,M,AMEX) and 27.95% by other Imperial Metals Group entities. Drill indicated reserves are 53,000,000 tons grading 0.44% copper and 0.017 oz.gold/t. Estimated wine life based on current reserves is at least ten years at a mining rate of 15,000 tons per day. Overall stripping ratio is 1.9:1. Capital costs are estimated at \$135,000,000 and operating costs at \$7/ton. Recent metallurgical testing indicated plant recoveries of 73.8% for copper and 85.9% for gold at an optimum economic grind of 75% minus 200 mesh from the average estimated mill feed.

Dr.K.Peter Geib of Frankfurt, West Germany, vice chairman of Imperial Metals, has exercised all his rights pursuant to the recent rights offering to increase his interest from 9.9% to 12.77% of the issued Shares, for a total holding of 2,730,880 shares. Dr.Geib has no intention to increase his holdings at the present time.

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