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FINAL TASEKO ASSAYS - Willis W. Osborne, vice president, reports Westpine Metals Ltd. has received the final assays on samples from the 1989 exploration program on the copper/gold/molybdenum Taseko property 140 miles north of Vancouver, B.C. Westpine now owns 100% of the property with Alpine and Westley each receiving 1,000,000 shares of Westpine for their 50% property interests. (SEE GCNL No. 154, FOR MORE DATA)

The latest assays results are for grab samples from a 450-foot curved zone located SW of the main drilling areas. The zone was traced for 450 feet and trends NW. Best assay was 7.05% copper, 0.302 oz.gold/ton. Fourteen of the 18 samples assayed greater than 0.70% copper and/or greater than 1000 parts per billion gold.

The final diamond drill hole of the season was angled north to pass beneath the eastern part of the area where the above samples were found. Drilled to 287 feet, the hole cur scattered copper and gold values, but nothing similar to that found on surface. In 1990 detailed geophysics will help locate further drill holes.

During the 1989 season, the Rowbottom zone, located 7,000 feet south of the Empress showing, was also staked. Old reports indicate the Rowbottom zone covers an area 400 by 600 feet which returned drill intersections averaging 0.31% copper and 0.015% molybdenum. The zone appears to be open in at least one direction. Eleven holes have been drilled in the Rowbottom zone with the best hole, S-22, intersecting 185 feet grading 0.41% copper and 0.034% molybdenum.

Preliminary discussions are underway with major mining companies regarding a possible option agreement. By the end of October, 459,400 shares had been redeemed by exercising redemption rights, reducing the number of shares outstanding from 3,500,000 to 3,040,000 with 440,600 redemption rights still outstanding. (SEE GCNL Nos. 191, 181 & 171 FOR EARLIER EXPLORATION RESULTS)

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