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CLAIMSTAKER RESOURCES LTD. [CLN-V]
BONAPARTE ASSAYS RECEIVED - R. Somerville, secretary, reports
Claimstaker Resources Ltd. has begun test mining by removing a bulk sample from its 100%-optioned Bonaparte gold property located about 40 km northwest of Kamloops, B.C. Currently, the company is permitted to remove a 3,000-ton sample of the ore, which it will ship directly to Cominco Ltd.'s smelter in Trail, B.C. The first 200 tons of ore have been removed from the property and delivered to the crusher. The first 23 muck samples, taken to establish the grade from the first 100 tons delivered to the crusher, averaged 2.19 oz. gold/ton (75.0 grams gold/tonne). In addition to the gold, significant smelter credits are expected from the high silica content in the ore. Claimstaker intends to continue to ship ore from this property at the rate of about 1,000 tons per month for the next few months in order to ascertain the average grade and general mineability of the ore. After exploration costs are paid, proceeds from gold recovery of the bulk sample will be split 70% Claimstaker and 30% the property owner.

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