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[EAM-V] 6,394,578 SHS. INMET MINING CORP. [IMN-T] 81,205,844 SHS.

AKIE PROJECT GETS SECOND DRILL - Chris Graf, P.Eng., president, Ecstall

Mining Corp., reports a second diamond drill has been moved onto the 40%-owned Akie property centred in the Kechika Trough region about 220 km southwest of Fort Nelson, northeastern BC. Inmet Mining has earned a 60% interest in the project.

The first hole (A-96-20) currently being drilled by the second diamond drill will explore the favourable massive sulphide stratigraphy underlying a significant three-km long multi-element rock and soil geochemical anomaly which adjoins and extends south from the area already being drilled, to the Akie River.

With regard to the deep drill testing of the Akie deposit itself, the large diamond drill presently on site has completed drilling hole A-95-19 at a depth of 1,192 metres. This hole is the first of three new deep holes along the 1.5-km long zone of massive sulphide mineralization that underwent drilling in 1994 and 1995. Hole A-95-19 intersected 8 metres of laminar bedded pyrite mineralization between 1,073 and 1,081 metres, at a point about 600 metres along strike of the high grade intersection made last year in hole A-95-18 which assayed 10.72% zinc+lead over a 6.3-metres true width including 16.46% zinc+lead over 2.2 metres. The mineralization intersected in A-95-19 appeared visually to contain sub-economic zinc/lead contents; however, assays are pending.

The large diamond drill is now being moved to the footwall side of the massive sulphide horizon where hole A-96-21 will be collared on section 30+00 south at 285 east. This hole is designed to intersect the Akie massive sulphide deposit about 400 metres directly down dip of previous hole A-95-18. (SEE GCNL NO.114, 12Jun96, P.4 FOR PREVIOUS AKIE PROJECT INFORMATION)

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