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VISIBLE GOLD AND COPPER IN LATEST BIRD-IN-HAND DRILLHOLE

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HIGHLIGHTS

Bird in hand - South Australia

- Positive results continue at Bird-in-Hand
- Visible gold and native copper identified in recently completed hole, BH33

BIRD-IN-HAND GOLD PROJECT, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

100% MAXIMUS

Drilling Update

Drilling at the Bird-in-Hand gold mine in the Adelaide Hills continues to provide positive outcomes. Visual results are now available for the recently completed diamond drill hole, BH33 (Figure 1).

BH33 was designed to follow up with core drilling the poor results of previous reverse circulation drilling in hole BH10 (4m @ 1.25g/t), Figure 2. BH33 has intersected mineralisation at a vertical depth of approximately 140m below surface and has intersected three main zones of quartz veining and mineralisation. This suggests that BH10 was not drilled deep enough and not representative of mineralisation in this area

The first zone in BH33 from 139.0m contains approximately 1.5m of quartz vein and chlorite altered sediments with limonite mineralisation. The second zone (approximately 2.6m) of massive quartz veining occurs from 149.8m and contains abundant pyrite and limonite with lesser amounts of galena. Also present



Figure 1 Core from BH 33 showing native copper.

within this zone is more visible gold (similar to that in previous hole, BH32) and significant amounts of native copper, Figure 1. The third zone of 0.3m from 162.3m consists of a quartz vein with up to 20% massive limonite mineralisation. Representative samples will be submitted for assay and results are expected to be available by mid September.

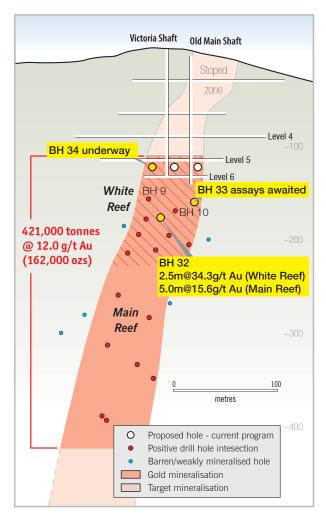


Figure 2 Bird in Hand longitudinal projection showing BH 32.

The next hole, BH34 (Figure 2), designed to refine the resource potential of mineralisation remaining between levels 5 and 6 of the old workings is underway.

The current drill program, including the recently announced intersections from the previous hole, BH32 (2.5 m @ 34.3 g/t gold and 5.0 m @ 15.6 g/t gold), is expected to add further ounces to the previously estimated inferred mineral resource of 162,000 ounces of gold at 12.0 grams per tonne.

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