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MAXIMUS RELEASES KEY REPORT ON ADELAIDE HILLS WATER TEST

The results of an independent hydrogeological investigation into a proposed water pumping test at the historic Bird in Hand gold mine in the Adelaide Hills will today be publicly released by Maximus Resources Limited (ASX: "MXR").

Prepared by independent consultants, Aquaterra Consulting Pty Ltd, the 160-page report provides detailed hydrogeological information relating to the proposed pumping test, which aims to assess the response to pumping of the groundwater aquifer at Bird in Hand in early 2009.

- The full text of the report is available on Maximus' website (www.maximusresources.com), together with an abridged version.

Adelaide-based Maximus aims to comprehensively investigate the capacity of the aquifer to withstand the depressurisation and subsequent "managed recharge" as part of its pre-feasibility study at the historic mine site.

"If these tests demonstrate that the aquifer can be depressurised with minimal impact on its water quality and quantity, we are of the opinion that a water neutral mining operation will be possible," Maximus' Managing Director, Dr Kevin Wills, said.

The report has been submitted to the Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity as part of the formal application process to conduct the water pumping test.

A copy of the report will also be sent to the Bird in Hand Groundwater Focus Group, which Maximus' exploration team will be meeting next week as part of its continuing community consultation on the Bird in Hand project.

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