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FIRST ORE AT THE KYLYLAHTI MINE

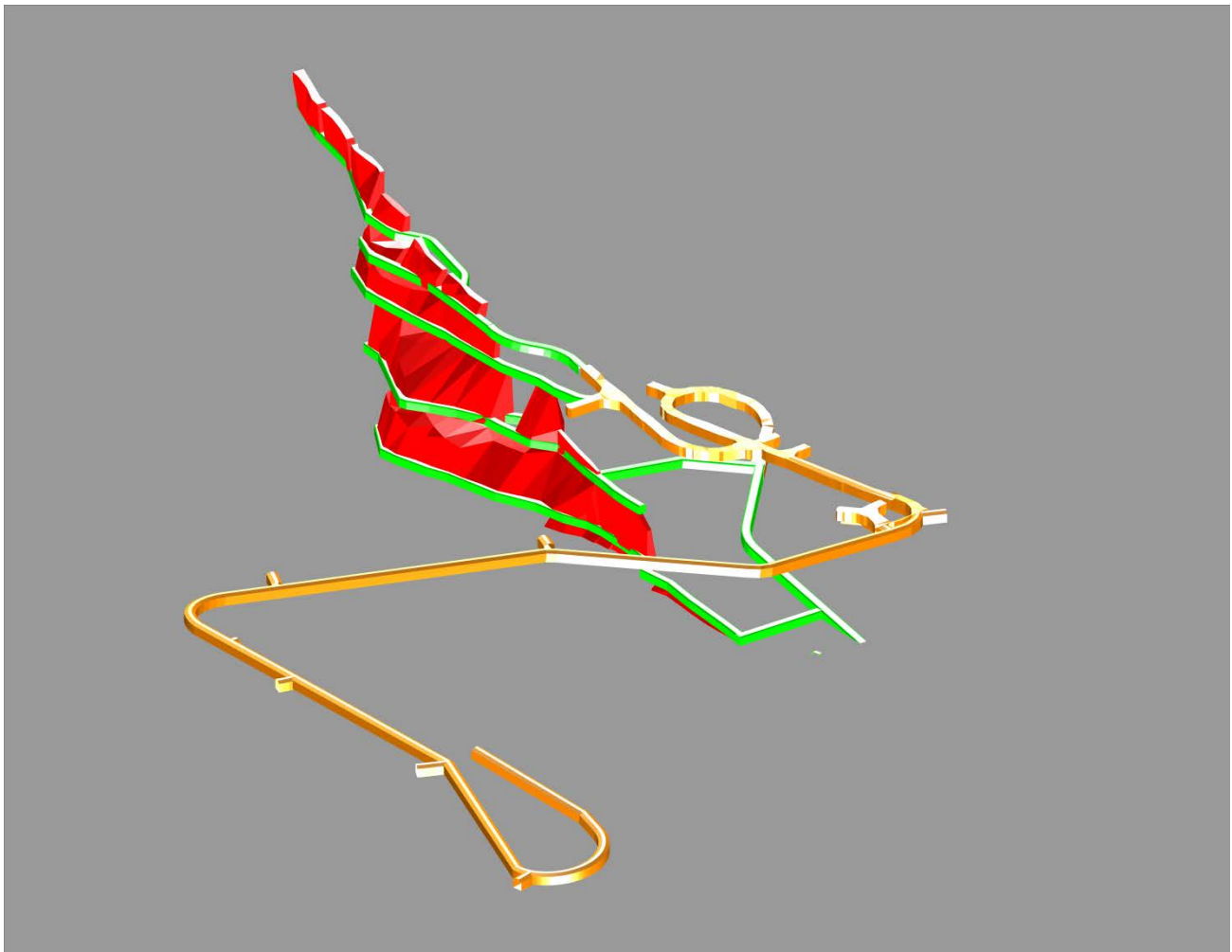
Altona Mining Limited ("Altona") today announced the Company has exposed the Kylylahti orebody for the first time at a vertical depth of 150 metres.

This is an important milestone in Altona's path to copper production in Finland, first concentrate production is expected in the first quarter of 2012.

The decline development has exposed low grade ore on the +50 metre level at the edge of the deposit and we are now commencing developing along the ore zone. The Company has commenced infill drilling of the upper levels of the mine to assist with the initial stages of planning for first production and stoping and visual indications are that the deposit model remains robust and there are numerous opportunities for local extensions to reserves.

Site works at the mine commenced one year ago and decline tunnelling commenced in early January 2011. To date, Altona has completed some 1,500 metres of tunnelling.

The initial mine plan for development of the upper part of the mine is shown on the figure below. Completed decline tunnel is shown in orange, planned tunnel in green and planned stopes in red.





The plan for development and ramp up of the mine is structured as follows:

Through the period to March 2012, European civil engineering contractor YIT Rakennus Oy ("YIT") will complete development of the first four mine levels to the stage of exposing ore on each level. Altona will take delivery of mining equipment in December and the first crew of mining workforce will commence onsite training and induction.

Primary ventilation shafts will also be commenced.

In the Quarter ending March 2012 YIT will drive development of the main decline to ensure that the mine is well established and that the mine infrastructure is capable of supporting full-scale production.

Altona's mining team will focus on ore development and establishing the mine infrastructure to allow stoping to commence. The development ore produced will be used to commission and ramp up the Luikonlahti mill. First concentrate deliveries for the project should occur late in the quarter.

Stoping will commence in the quarter ending June 2012 permitting production ramp up at the mine and continue the ramp up of concentrate production at the mill, bringing production into full swing.

The project will reach full production of an annualised rate of 550,000tpa and positive cash flow in the second half of 2012.

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Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled and reviewed by Dr Alistair Cowden BSc (Hons), PhD, MAusIMM, MAIG, Mr Jarmo Vesanto, MSc, MAusIMM, Mr Seppo Tuovinen MSc, MAusIMM and Mr Jari Jurella MSc, MAusIMM, who are full time employees of the Company and have sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which they are undertaking to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Messrs Cowden, Vesanto, Tuovinen and Juurela consent to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

About Outokumpu

The Outokumpu Project is 100% owned by Altona and is situated within Finland's premier mining district that gave rise to the major steel and process technology companies, Outokumpu Oy and Outotec Oy. The area has 100 years of mining history with three past major base metal mines in the area producing from 1914 to 1989.

Outokumpu lies some 400km north-east of Helsinki. Finland is a well performing euro zone economy and is one of the world premier mining investment destinations ranking ahead of most Australian and Canadian provinces in recent surveys.

The project has declared resources of 15.9 million tonnes of copper dominant polymetallic base metal mineralisation (copper, gold, nickel, zinc, cobalt) (including Kylylahti, Saramäki, Vuonos, Hautalampi and Riihilampi deposits) containing some 156,200 tonnes of copper and 32,300 tonnes of nickel.

A Definitive Feasibility Study was completed in August 2010 and construction of the project has commenced with first production envisaged in early 2012.

The initial development comprises the development of a new underground mine at the 8.4Mt Kylylahti copper-gold-zinc deposit with trucking of ore 43 km to the Luikonlahti regional processing hub 100% owned by Altona. The established Luikonlahti Processing Plant treated Outokumpu type base metal ores for over 15 years and refurbishment of the plant has commenced.

Kylylahti Resource and Reserve Estimates

	Tonnes (m)	Cu (%)	Co (%)	Ni (%)	Zn (%)	Au (g/t)
RESOURCES						
Measured	0.62	1.35	0.27	0.17	0.47	0.60
Indicated	7.47	1.25	0.24	0.20	0.54	0.70
Inferred	0.31	0.97	0.24	0.18	0.70	0.57
Total	8.40	1.25	0.24	0.20	0.54	0.68
Contained metal (t)		105,000	20,160	16,800	45,360	183,560oz
RESERVES						
Probable	4.34	1.56	0.29	0.17	0.58	0.65
Contained metal (t)		67,850	12,600	6,200	25,200	90,800oz

Outokumpu Resource Estimates

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Saramäki	Inferred	3.40	0.71	0.09	0.05	0.63	-
Vuonos	Inferred	0.76	1.76	0.14	-	1.33	-
Hautalampi	Measured	1.03	0.47	0.13	0.47	0.06	-
	Indicated	1.23	0.30	0.11	0.42	0.07	-
	Inferred	0.90	0.30	0.10	0.40	0.10	-
	Total	3.16	0.36	0.11	0.43	0.07	-
Riihilahti	Indicated	0.14	1.69	0.04	0.16	-	-
Valkeisenranta	Indicated	1.54	0.29	0.03	0.71	-	-
Särkiniemi	Indicated	0.10	0.35	0.05	0.70	-	-
Sarkalahti	Inferred	0.19	0.33	-	1.02	-	-
Niinimäki	Indicated	0.08	0.33	0.04	1.13	-	-
	Inferred	0.02	0.30	0.03	0.89	-	-
	Total	0.08	0.32	0.04	1.07	-	-
Total		17.77	0.87	0.16	0.27	0.41	-

See Vulcan ASX Release dated 16 November 2009 and Altona's ASX Releases of 23 July 2010 and 2 August 2010.