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First gold pour

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Hill End Gold Limited is pleased to announce that the first gold pour for the Hill End Project is scheduled for Friday 11 April 2008.

The plant is processing material from the test drive on the M2 vein set, which has averaged over two ounces per tonne recovered grade with some material producing over four ounces per tonne.

About 80 tonnes of M2 material were stockpiled from the high grade north end of the test drive, which face sampling indicated would contain up to four ounces per tonne. An additional 200 tonne M2 stockpile of various grades is ready to be processed and narrow driving on the high grade M2 is continuing to the north and south of the test drive to produce plant feed material.

Plant throughput has increased to about 10 tonnes per shift although the delivery of high wear items and maintenance requirements have reduced the processing rate. Some wear items are being redesigned and further optimisation of the crushing, screening and tailings areas is underway to increase the throughput to about 40 tonnes per shift.

The current sample mining and processing exercise is aimed at confirming the high grade continuity and tenor of the Reward high grade vein sets, to provide data for a Reward area resource update and to establish the economic scope of the Hawkins Hill / Reward area mine development: a large moderate grade project or small high grade project. The Paxton's vein set was the initial sampling target with a resource of 23,000 tonnes at 48g/t gold, which was to be sampled on two sublevels and processed to confirm grade continuity in the Reward high grade vein sets.

Continuity of the high grade 'pay runs' and the geology of the high grade vein sets has already been confirmed by the M2 test drive results so the scope of the Reward area 'sample' development has now been expanded. Up to ten sublevels are planned in the raise bore shaft, which has changed the mine layout and steelwork design for the raise bore shaft and moved the Paxton's sample timing to the next quarter. A separate rock pass system is also being developed from the Amalgamated level to handle production from the new sublevels in Reward.

Back reaming of the raise bore shaft to a diameter of 2.4 metres at Exhibition is 50% complete and is expected to be finished in two weeks, when an equipping headframe, winch and work stage will be set up in the new shaft.

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