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AZURE'S 100% OWNED PROJECTS PROGRESSING RAPIDLY

Azure Minerals Limited (ASX: AZS) is pleased to announce a number of key developments within its 100%-owned projects, including:

- The discovery of visible gold hosted in quartz veins and numerous anomalous surface results at La Providencia
- The granting of applications for mineral concessions at La Providencia, La Tortuga and El Ermitaño
- Applying for two new mineral concessions at Los Nidos and Coronado

Azure's Executive Chairman, Mr Tony Rovira, said the company was committed to further developing its 100%-owned projects in Mexico.

LA PROVIDENCIA RESULTS

Recent exploration at La Providencia has discovered quartz veins hosting visible gold with associated base metal mineralisation. Rock chip and dump samples returned numerous anomalous results, including **gold (up to 3.25g/t), silver (up to 156g/t), copper (up to 2.1%), lead (up to 0.7%) and zinc (up to 0.95%)**.

With the concession granted, the Company's application to undertake the initial drilling program at La Providencia has now also received governmental approval. Drilling is expected to commence later in 2007 when a suitable drill rig becomes available.

Two prospects have been identified at La Providencia, with previous surface sampling identifying a large area containing high grade silver, zinc and lead values, and a separate new discovery of quartz veins hosting visible gold.

"La Providencia is shaping up as a high quality acquisition," said Mr Rovira. "We are very pleased with these initial results, so we will have a lot of activity on the project in the short term, with more surface mapping and sampling, geophysical surveys, and exploration drilling towards the end of the year."

MINERAL CONCESSIONS GRANTED

The Mexican General Bureau of Mines has advised Azure that applications for mineral concessions at La Providencia, La Tortuga and El Ermitaño have been granted to Azure's wholly-owned Mexican subsidiary Minera Piedra Azul SA de CV.

"The grant of these 100%-owned concessions, the first for the Company in Mexico, is a significant milestone as it emphasises the growing strength and competitive advantage our team has in Mexico," said Mr Rovira.

"We can now progress to more advanced exploration, including drilling, at these properties," said Mr Rovira. "It also cements our status as a significant part of the exploration community in Mexico."

PROJECT GENERATION

Azure has also applied for two further mineral concessions over the Los Nidos and Coronado properties, which were identified by the company's project generation program as having good exploration potential for precious and base metals.

Azure has implemented a continuous program of regional exploration and target identification in Mexico with the intention of acquiring new, 100%-owned properties through application for mineral concessions over vacant ground and by purchasing advanced stage projects.

Throughout Mexico there are many areas containing strong evidence of mineralisation, including historical mine workings, anomalous surface geochemistry, and mineralised drill intercepts, which are currently vacant and available for staking.

"Our Company enjoys a considerable advantage over many of our competitors due to having our exploration team and administration centre established in Hermosillo, the capital of Sonora," continued Mr Rovira, "which has led to our project generation program enjoying considerable success to date."

"Being on the ground every day in Mexico means we can rapidly evaluate potential acquisitions, as well as enjoy excellent relations with the local prospecting community who are bringing forward to us advanced opportunities for consideration." continued Mr Rovira

"We will of course also be continuing our exploration program over our already held prospective 100% owned and joint venture properties. This aggressive exploration program follows from our commitment to capitalise on the strong international interest in the region," said Mr Rovira

GRANTED PROJECTS

La Providencia contains significant occurrences of carbonate replacement style base metal mineralisation, with Azure's surface sampling returning high grade mineralisation, including **zinc (45.4% & 35.9%), lead (5.3% & 4.7%) and silver (532g/t & 238g/t)**. Additionally, more recent exploration has discovered quartz veins hosting visible gold with associated base metal mineralisation. Dump and rock chip samples returned numerous anomalous results, including **gold (up to 3.25g/t), silver (up to 156g/t), copper (up to 2.1%), lead (up to 0.7%) and zinc (up to 0.95%)**. Exploration at La Providencia is continuing.

La Tortuga contains abundant evidence of mineralisation at surface. The property was previously held by Teck Cominco, who drilled at least seven RC holes into the mineralised system, with one hole reportedly intersecting **100m @ 0.25% Cu** from surface. Initial surface sampling by Azure has returned highly anomalous results, including: **copper (up to 8.5%), zinc (up to 4.3%) and molybdenum (up to 408ppm)**. Further exploration at La Tortuga (and the adjoining Los Nidos property) will involve detailed mapping and sampling, followed by drilling.

El Ermitaño borders the Santa Elena and Cruz de Mayo epithermal silver-gold deposits which contain combined resources of 22Moz silver and 360,000oz gold, and are currently being explored by TSX-V listed SilverCrest Mines Inc. El Ermitaño contains an extensive alteration system hosting epithermal veins and breccias exploited by numerous historical mine workings. First pass exploration is currently being planned and will commence in the forthcoming quarter.

FURTHER APPLICATIONS

In addition to the recently announced application for the El Cuervo property in the state of Chihuahua, Azure has made applications for two further properties, Los Nidos and Coronado.

Los Nidos adjoins the southern boundary of the La Tortuga property and covers 48km², giving a combined landholding of 100km² for the two properties. Los Nidos contains numerous historical mine workings which exploited northwest trending, structurally controlled gold-silver-copper mineralisation. Azure has completed an initial surface sampling program which returned abundant indications of mineralisation, including: **gold (up to 12g/t), silver (up to 1,100g/t), copper (up to 3.7%) and lead (up to 1.2%)**. Further work, including surface exploration and drilling, will be carried out in conjunction with programs at the neighbouring La Tortuga property.

Coronado is situated 230 kilometres south of Chihuahua City in the state of Chihuahua. The property contains a sequence of limestones and felsic intrusives, the same geological setting as at the nearby Adargas Mine which historically produced approximately **350,000 tonnes of ore with grades of 9-24g/t gold, 1,000g/t silver and 24-36% lead**. Numerous historical mine workings and substantial areas of strong alteration are contained within the Coronado property. It is considered prospective for high grade chimney and manto hosted silver-lead-zinc mineralisation, similar to that exploited at Adargas. Exploration at Coronado will comprise surface geochemical sampling, assessment of historical mine workings, and drilling.

Locations of Azure's wholly-owned properties are shown in Figure 1.

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MEXICAN JOINT VENTURE BACKGROUND

In addition to its 100%-owned properties, Azure is also earning into 13 projects in Sonora, Mexico in a joint venture with Canadian-listed Geoinformatics Exploration Inc (TSX-V: GXL). Under the terms of the joint venture agreement, Azure must spend US\$4 million on the projects by July 2009 to earn a 51% interest. If GXL elects not to contribute at that stage, Azure can increase to a 75% interest in all projects by sole funding a pre-feasibility study by July 2011.

Information in these documents that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Pat Manouge, who is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Manouge is a full-time employee of Azure Minerals Limited. Mr Manouge has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Manouge consents to the inclusion in the documents of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

FIGURE 1: PROJECT LOCATION PLAN



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