

Andover Reports Assay Results From the Re-Assay of Core From Historic 1974-1986 Drill Programs on the Sun District, Alaska

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VANCOUVER, 09/13/12 - [Andover Mining Corp.](#) ("Andover" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: AOX) (OTCBB: AOVTF) (FRANKFURT: R2X) is pleased to report the results of its systematic re-sampling of historic drill cores from Andover's SUN District projects, located in the Ambler Mineral Belt, northwestern Alaska.

The majority of the core from the 49 diamond drill holes drilled from 1974 to 1986 on the SUN District is stored at the Alaska Geological Materials Center in Eagle River, Alaska. The historic drill programs were conducted by Bear Creek Mining Corp (Kennecott Copper / Rio Tinto), Sunshine Mining Company, Noranda Exploration - GCO Minerals - (Houston Oil and Minerals), Anaconda Minerals Company, Cominco American and Teck Resources. Approximately 40% of this core is available for review.

Based on a review of the historic drill logs and assay tables that Andover owns, 30 massive sulfide intercepts from 20 drill holes were selected for detailed review to determine the adequacy and reliability of existing drill logs and to determine whether the remaining core was suitable for re-sampling and re-assay. Reassays were based on sufficient material remaining for a second splitting, that the original assay intervals were clearly marked and re-usable and the core appeared to be complete and in order. From this list and based on the above criteria, 19 mineralized intercepts from 12 drill holes were selected for re-assay.

The core was photographed prior to re-sampling. Selected intervals were marked in the core boxes and the interval to be sampled was carefully split in half, either by cutting with a thin-blade diamond saw blade or, when necessary, with a small splitting wedge tool. Samples were then collected and the remaining quarter core left in the core boxes was re-photographed. Samples were secured until all samples had been collected and then they were delivered to the ALS-Chemex prep facility in Anchorage, Alaska. The pulps created in the Anchorage facility were analyzed for 35 elements by ICP assay methods and gold and silver were assayed by fire assay at the ALS-Chemex facilities in Vancouver, British Columbia. Base metal over-limits were wet assayed. Blanks and standards were inserted with the sample shipment.

Results are summarized in the following table.

DDH ID	Core Size	Assay Year	From (ft)	To (ft)	Interval (ft)	Cu (%)	Pb (%)	Zn (%)	Ag (g/T)	Au (g/T)
Hot-01	B	1975	158.5	162.5	4.0	3.05	0.03	1.60	28.8	0.240
	B	2012	158.5	162.5	4.0	2.92	0.21	1.33	32.1	0.226
Hot-02	B	1975	146.0	168.0	22.0	1.46	2.19	8.39	101.8	0.286
	B	2012	146.0	168.0	22.0	1.27	2.14	8.20	104.7	0.264
Hot-07	B	1975	173.0	194.0	21.0	2.64	2.32	6.40	184.0	0.351
	B	2012	173.0	194.0	21.0	2.50	1.46	6.13	174.9	0.408
Sun-02	E	1974	52.0	76.0	24.0	1.20	0.35	4.49	158.4	NA
	E	2012	52.0	76.0	24.0	0.97	3.04	4.36	163.3	0.749
Sun-03	E	1974	123.0	152.0	29.0	0.55	0.93	9.70	119.2	NA
	E	2012	123.0	152.0	29.0	0.52	3.70	10.17	114.4	0.540
Sun-04	E	1974	276.0	288.0	12.0	1.93	1.43	1.33	118.7	NA
	E	2012	276.0	288.0	12.0	1.45	1.88	4.29	131.5	0.313
Sun-09	N	1975	326.5	351.1	24.6	1.60	0.47	2.01	32.6	NA
	N	2012	326.5	351.1	24.6	1.33	0.42	2.23	31.5	1.079
Sun-11	N	1975	120.2	126.8	6.6	3.87	0.99	2.89	53.6	NA
	N	2012	120.2	126.8	6.6	4.05	0.83	2.96	51.7	0.282
Sun-11	N	1975	261.5	263.0	1.5	2.00	0.78	3.82	44.0	NA
	N	2012	261.5	263.0	1.5	1.89	0.60	3.61	59.8	0.979
Sun-12	N	1975	109.0	118.5	9.5	0.80	2.84	7.74	46.8	0.020
	N	2012	109.0	118.5	9.5	0.72	1.79	6.68	68.1	0.161
Sun-14	N	1975	357.0	359.5	2.5	2.76	3.18	6.67	295.6	NA
	N	2012	357.0	359.5	2.5	2.38	3.07	7.72	303.1	0.865
Sun-14	N	1975	366.2	368.5	2.3	0.90	0.07	0.24	37.3	NA
	N	2012	366.2	368.5	2.3	0.81	0.13	0.58	42.5	0.081
Sun-22	B	1977	628.0	673.0	45.0	0.56	2.45	5.54	101.7	0.508
	B	2012	628.0	673.0	45.0	0.56	2.70	5.79	110.9	0.545

Drill Core Size nominal diameters; "E" = 21mm, "B" = 36.5mm, "N" = 63.5mm

This sampling was directed by Mr. Kent Turner, COO of Andover and Mr. Michael Gustin of Mine Development Associates (MDA), of Reno, Nevada. The core re-sampling program was conducted by Mr. Kerry Adler of On-Line Exploration Services of Anchorage, Alaska.

"We are most pleased with the results of this re-sampling effort on readily available core from the historic drill programs carried out by past operators," says Kent Turner, COO of Andover. "Except for the results from the

smallest (E size) core, the re-assaying allows some reasonable confidence in the reliability of the results of the drilling from the historic programs carried out by Kennecott (Rio Tinto), Noranda, Anaconda, Sunshine Mining and Cominco (Teck) prior to Andover's acquisition of the SUN District. The high grades are consistent with the grades seen in Andover's 2007, 2011 and 2012 drill programs and significant levels of gold are now identified in core that either was not assayed for gold, or employed 1970's analytical methodologies that had much higher reporting limits than those in use today. This program should increase the confidence level in the historic data for a new National Instrument 43-101 resource calculation."

The drilling program at both the Main SUN and S.W. SUN Deposits has concluded for the 2012 field season. However, new assays are pending and will be released as they are received from ALS-Chemex. Mine Development Associates has been contracted by Andover to complete a National Instrument 43-101 compliant Resource and Preliminary Economic Assessment on Andover's wholly owned SUN District Deposits upon receipt of the 2012 drill program assay results.

This news release has been reviewed by Kerry M. Adler, Certified Professional Geologist (AIPG CPG-10634). Mr. Adler is a National Instrument 43-101 qualified person and is responsible for the technical aspects of this news release.

About Andover:

Andover is a precious and base metal exploration and development company focused on copper exploration at its flagship asset, the SUN District, located in the Ambler Mineral Belt, Northwest, Alaska. The Ambler Mineral Belt hosts world-class VMS deposits containing copper, zinc, lead, gold and silver. The Ambler Mineral Belt is one of the richest and most-prospective copper mineral belts located in one of the safest geopolitical jurisdictions in the world. Andover controls approximately 36, 800 acres through sole ownership of 230 Alaska State mining claims in the SUN District and approximately 9,120 acres through sole ownership of 57 Alaska State claims in the Smucker area of the Ambler Mineral Belt.

In Utah, Andover, through its 83.5% ownership of Chief Consolidated Mining Company whose lands located in the historic East Tintic Mining District, has a multi faceted development approach. The Big Hill project, where Kennecott Exploration Company can earn a 55% interest by carrying Chief through to the end of a Feasibility Study, is focused on a large porphyry copper prospect. The Burgin Complex, host to a limestone silver-lead-zinc replacement deposit, has completed a Preliminary Economic Assessment and is preparing this deposit and the Trixie gold mine toward exploitation. Chief owns fee simple approximately 16,000 acres in Utah.

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