

VANCOUVER, British Columbia, July 27, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Imperial Metals Corp.](#) (the "Company" (TSX:III)) announces that Mount Polley mine operations are planned to resume following the downgrading of the Evacuation Orders for the City of Williams Lake and many surrounding areas to Evacuation Alerts. To allow time for employees who had been evacuated to return to their homes, crews will be recalled to work effective July 31 with the intention of having the mine fully operational by August 2.

Mount Polley mine operations were suspended on July 15, 2017 following the issuance of the Evacuation Order.

About Imperial

Imperial is a Vancouver based exploration, mine development and operating company. The Company, through its subsidiaries, owns the Red Chris, Mount Polley and Huckleberry copper mines in British Columbia. Imperial also holds a 50% interest in the Ruddock Creek lead|zinc property in British Columbia.

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