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TRI ORIGIN REPORTS FIRST PHASE OF EXPLORATION FROM WOODLAWN

Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. (TOE:TSE) and Inmet Mining Corporation (IMN:TSE:ME) announced successful completion of the first phase of exploration at Tri Origin's 100% -owned Woodlawn project in New South Wales, Australia. The project lies within the Woodlawn Mining District, 200 kilometres southwest of Sydney and is host to the Woodlawn, Currawang and Cowley Hills past producing open pit and underground mines that contained a resource of over 20 million tonnes of precious and base metal ore.

The first phase of exploration that began in mid-May, consisted of 220 line kilometres of deep-penetrating, fixed loop electromagnetic surveying and 280 kilometres of ground magnetic surveying that covered the interpreted strike extensions of the 18 million tonne Woodlawn base metal mine. Results confirm numerous electromagnetic and magnetic anomalies that lie along the interpreted extension of the mine stratigraphy.

Drill targets based on the initial phase of exploration include the most significant geophysical responses associated with geochemical anomalies and in places gossanous outcrops located along the extension of the mine stratigraphy. Tri Origin and Inmet are optimistic about their prospects at Woodlawn and are looking forward to initiating a drill program to begin in the latter part of this year.

The Woodlawn project is held under an option/joint venture agreement between Inmet Mining Corporation and Tri Origin's 91%-owned subsidiary, Tri Origin Australia N.L. (TOA). Under the terms of the agreement, Inmet will, at its option, spend a total of CDN\$3.2 million on exploration and make cash payments to TOA of CDN\$280,000 over four years to earn a 60% interest in the mineral rights held by Tri Origin at the Woodlawn Mining District. Upon completion of these expenditures, Tri Origin and Inmet will enter into a joint venture to further develop the property. Currently, Tri Origin is carrying out the exploration program under a separate contract and receives administrative fees from Inmet, to recover certain overhead costs associated with the program.

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