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LONG NICKEL MINE SIGNIFICANT HIGH GRADE NICKEL INTERCEPTS AT THE MORAN AND McLEAY NICKEL DEPOSITS

HIGHLIGHTS

MORAN

• Infill and extension diamond drilling of the new Moran Nickel Deposit, located in the Long South lava channel, continues to intercept thick, high grade nickel sulphides as follows:

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LSU 151 - 6.0m @ 6.9% Ni (3.3m true width)
LSU 154 - 5.3m @ 6.4% Ni (4.9m true width)
LSU 171 - 6.7m @ 3.4% Ni (3.4m true width)
LSU 179 - *17.7m @ 4.3% Ni (10.0m true width)
LSU 180 - 4.0m @ 11.9% Ni (2.6m true width)
LSU 183 - 7.9m @ 4.3% Ni (6.4m true width)
LSU 187 - 4.5m @ 4.7% Ni (VE) (4.5m true width)
LSU 188 - 7.4m @ 5.8% Ni (VE) (5.5m true width)
LSU 190 - 14.4m @ 6.0% Ni (VE) (9.0m true width)
(VE = Visual Estimate, *Visual Estimate of 16.2m @ 3.5% Ni previously reported)
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- The Moran deposit remains open to the north (limited), south and east and currently has a 410m strike length and 90m width in plan view.
- High grade nickel sulphide intercept in LSU-180 (4m @ 11.9% Ni) indicates that the deposit is at least 100m wide at its southern most drilled limit. This drill section also contains a significant intercept in LSU-179 (17.7m @ 4.3% Ni).

McLEAY

High grade nickel sulphides intersected in McLeay Shoot 3:

MDU-507 - 29.2m @ 10.2% Ni (5.7m true width)

Primary nickel sulphides intersected east of McLeay Shoot 3 interpreted to represent a new ore surface (Shoot 6) open to the east and south-east:

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MDU-507 – 1.5m @ 6.3% Ni (0.5m true width)
MDU-508 – 6.8m @ 2.2% Ni (1.5m true width)
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Independence Group is pleased to announce further positive results from the ongoing Moran Nickel Deposit infill and extension drilling program as well as continued exploration success down-dip of the McLeay ore body.

Moran - Infill and Extensional Drilling

After the completion of drill drive extensions, infill drilling recommenced at Moran on a 40m x 40m grid and drilling also continued testing for extensions to known mineralisation. High grade nickel sulphide mineralisation has been intersected over a 410m strike and 90m width in plan view (**Figure 1**) and is open to the north (limited), south and east. Mineralisation is relatively continuous and homogeneous with widths amenable to mechanised underground mining.

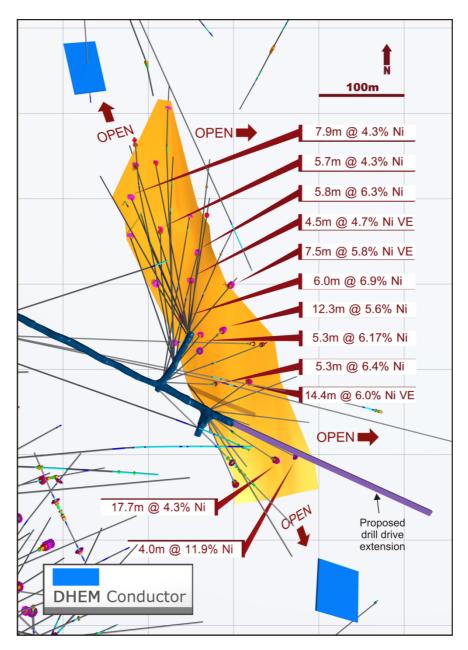


Figure 1: Moran - Plan Showing Significant Intercepts, Current Mineralisation Outline, Proposed Drill Drive Development and Untested Down-Hole TEM Anomalies

Drilling will continue throughout the June Quarter to define mineralisation and test for extensions with the aim of increasing drill density to enable resource and reserve estimation once mining studies have been completed.

Previously unreported Moran nickel sulphide intercepts are as follows:

| Hole No. | Northing (m) | Easting (m) | RL (m) | Dip (degr) | Azimuth (degr) | EOH (m) | From (m) | To (m) | Width (m) | True Width (m) | Ni% |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------|---------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LSU-150A | 547634 | 375333 | 521 | -47 | 1 | 263.1 | 228.3 | 229.3 | 1 | 1.0 | 4.7% |
| LSU-151 | 547633 | 375333 | 521 | -69 | 3 | 170.3 | 140.2 | 146.23 | 6.03 | 3.3 | 6.9 |
| LSU-154 | 547634 | 375334 | 521 | -73 | 108 | 201.4 | 128.47 | 133.73 | 5.26 | 4.9 | 6.4 |
| LSU-171 | 547610 | 375364 | 524 | -50 | 161 | 172.8 | 129.05 | 135.75 | 6.7 | 4.5 | 3.4 |
| LSU-179 * | 547612 | 375364 | 525 | -49 | 126 | 207.8 | 162.8 | 180.5 | 17.7 | 10.0 | 4.3 |
| LSU-180 | 547612 | 375364 | 525 | -54 | 126 | 230.5 | 191.4 | 195.4 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 11.9 |
| LSU-183 | 547672 | 375353 | 517 | -43 | 333 | 129 | 200.23 | 208.13 | 7.9 | 6.4 | 4.3 |
| LSU-187 | 547672 | 375353 | 517 | -72 | 350 | 190.7 | 162.7 | 167.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.7% VE |
| LSU-188 | 547672 | 375356 | 518 | -72 | 31 | 186.5 | 189.8 | 197.25 | 7.45 | 5.5 | 5.8% VE |
| LSU-190 | 547612 | 375368 | 524 | -76 | 74 | 146.4 | 138.3 | 152.7 | 14.4 | 9.0 | 6.0% VE |

(Intersections calculated by the specific gravity method, *Visual Estimate of 16.2m @ 3.5% Ni previously reported)

McLeay - Drilling

Drilling east of Shoot 3 intersected a new mineralised surface (Shoot 6) on the eastern flank of the Shoot 3 lava channel. Intercepts including 6.8m @ 2.2% Ni and 1.5m @ 6.3% Ni are open to the south-east and north-east (**Figure 2**).

A drill hole across the Shoot 3 channel intersected **29.2m** @ **10.2% Ni** emphasising the high grade nature of portions of the McLeay ore body (**Figure 3**). The McLeay ore system has now been defined over an 800m strike length and remains open to the south-east.

New McLeay intercepts include the following:

| Hole No. | Northing (m) | Easting (m) | RL (m) | Dip (degr) | Azimuth (degr) | EOH (m) | From (m) | To (m) | Width (m) | True Width (m) | Ni% |
|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------|------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MDU-507 | 547074 | 375173 | -561 | -2 | 107 | 307.1 | 179.37 | 208.6 | 29.2 | 5-7 | 10.2 |
| | | | | | | | 284.03 | 285.53 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 6.3 |
| MDU-508 | 547073 | 375173 | -562 | -6 | 116 | 363.3 | 331.45 | 338.25 | 6.8 | 1.5 | 2.2 |

(Intersections calculated by the specific gravity method)

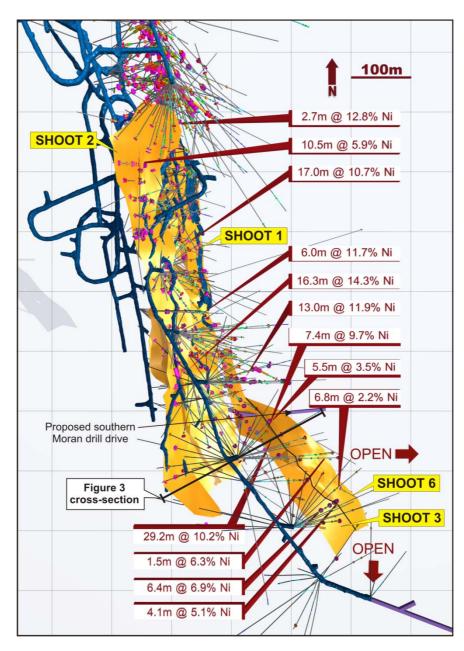


Figure 2: McLeay - Plan Showing New Shoot 6 Location, Significant Intercepts, Current Development and Figure 3 Cross-Section Location

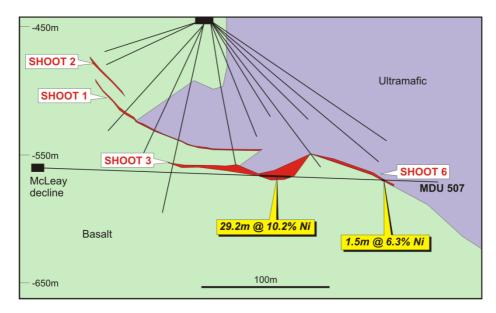
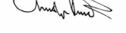


Figure 3: McLeay - Cross-Section Showing Shoots 1, 2, 3 and 6



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