

West Kirkland Drills 16.15 g/t Gold Over 5.0 Meters in New Discovery at Kirkland Lake Camp, Ontario

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, October 3, 2011 - West Kirkland Mining Inc. (WKM:TSXV) (“West Kirkland” or the “Company”) reports the discovery of a new gold zone on its 100% optioned mineral claims located between the towns of Kirkland Lake and Matachewan along the famous Cadillac-Larder Lake Deformation Zone.

The new discovery is correlated in three dimensions with an initial strike length of 100 meters and depth extent in excess of 200 meters in four drill holes. In addition, to the 16.15 g/t Au over 5.00 meters in KC1163, the same structure returned values of 6.42 g/t Au over 1.1 meters within a 4.00 meter gold bearing intercept (KC1164). These new intercepts are within a new discovery area of the overall Cadillac-Larder Lake Deformation Zone approximately two kilometers west of the high grade intercepts highlighted by the Company in its November 18, 2010 news release.

Michael Allen, Vice President of Exploration of West Kirkland said, “In the Kirkland Lake and Timmins camps, near surface zones such as the one announced today are the indicators we search for to lead us to mineralization along strike and to depth. This new discovery gives us an excellent target to follow up on in three dimensions.”

Details

Holes with finalized assays in the new discovery zone are summarized below.

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Au (g/t)
KC1163	6.00	18.60	12.60	0.69
and	65.00	65.50	1.50	0.66
and	75.70	77.00	1.50	4.53
and	85.70	90.70	5.00	16.15
Incl.	85.70	87.90	2.20	34.49
KC1164	3.50	4.30	0.80	0.70
and	90.70	94.70	4.00	2.15
Incl.	92.00	93.90	1.10	6.42*
KC1165	90.8	91.3	0.50	0.77
and	92.20	93.10	0.90	0.52
KC1166	8.30	9.30	1.00	0.90
and	17.70	18.70	1.00	0.89
and	55.80	56.30	0.50	0.47
and	110.60	119.60	9.00	0.46
and	126.20	127.10	0.90	2.15

* indicates presence of coarse visible gold

Due to the observation of coarse visible gold in the core and the high grade nature of some of the results, the Company is submitting select samples for metallic screen assays and additional samples are being collected to further bracket the mineralized intercepts. Drilling on 50 meter sections has cut significant gold mineralization on three consecutive sections. The gold intercepts are open in all directions. Holes KC1165 and KC1166 were targeted on a parallel structure and may not have been drilled far enough to pierce the high grade mineralization. These holes will be extended. As this is a new discovery, exact orientation, true thickness and continuity have yet to be determined. The Company plans to drill in excess of 2,000 meters to follow up on these results. This work will commence shortly.

Kirkland Lake Drilling Update

In 2011, the Company has drilled 15,433 meters in 64 holes in the Kirkland Lake camp. This year, 14 holes have been reported, 24 drill holes have not generated significant intercepts, 15 holes have generated targets for follow up on a priority basis, and the Company is awaiting results on an additional 11 holes.

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Samples of drill core were saw cut, with half the cut core placed in individual sealed bags and half placed back in the original core box for permanent storage. Drill core samples are picked up by ALS Chemex and transported directly to their preparation lab in Timmins, Ontario. Prepared pulps are shipped by ALS Chemex to their North Vancouver laboratory where gold assays are determined by fire assay fusion with Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP) finish. ALS Chemex's North Vancouver laboratory is ISO 9001:2008 certified and also is ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accredited by the Standards Council of Canada for the assay methods employed. Standards, duplicates and blanks are inserted into the sample stream in pseudo-random sequence and represent 10% of all samples submitted.

Michael G. Allen, Vice President of Exploration for West Kirkland, and a Qualified Person as defined by Canadian National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed the information contained in this news release and has also verified the analytical data for drill core samples disclosed in this release by reviewing the blanks, duplicates and certified reference material that the Company inserted into the sample stream and confirming that they fall within limits as determined by acceptable industry practice. He is the non-independent qualified person for this news release and has verified the data.

About West Kirkland Mining

West Kirkland Mining was formed in 2010 to focus on gold exploration along major trends in North America. The Company has consolidated significant mineral rights positions in the Kirkland Lake area of Ontario and within major gold trends of North Eastern Nevada - two of North America's premier gold jurisdictions. The founders and Board of West Kirkland Mining have successful gold discovery, development and mine operations experience in both Ontario and Nevada over the past 40 years.

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