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Hole ID	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Length (feet)	Silver* (g/t)	Silver (opt)	Copper (%)	Zinc (%)
PR1	0	3.1	3.1	10	676.7	19.73	7.85	10.72
PR2	0	16.8	16.8	55	216.8	6.32	0.06	2.31
AP4	0	6.7	6.71	22	253.4	7.39	0.41	8.98
VP1	5.2	6.7	1.5	5	47.7	1.39	0.07	0.25
DH6	0	12.2	12.2	40	168.0	4.90	1.5	16.55
S-4	16.8	105.1	88.3	290	103.5	3.02	1.58	0.45
includes	16.8	57.9	41.1	135	153.8	4.48	1.34	0.50
S-7	16.8	85.3	68.5	224	82.0	2.39	0.94	0.46
includes	48.7	61.0	12.8	40	152.9	4.46	1.77	0.80

**These values have been rounded. Holes PR1, PR2, AP4, VP1 and DH6 all bottomed at less than 30 metres.*

The deposit was discovered in 1878 and periodically underwent small, high grade underground mining during the late 1800’s and early 1900’s. During the early 1990’s Blackstone extracted approximately 5,000 tons of mineralized material from an open pit which averaged 3 oz/ton Ag,

1.2% Cu, 0.5% Pb and 2.6% Zn. This bulk sample was partially tested at a nearby processing facility. Sample methodology and preparation for previous work is currently unknown. Analytical results are from various laboratories including Blackstone's own assay lab and Bondar-Clegg in Vancouver.

The Blackstone deposit is a series of altered shear zones up to 100 metres wide and at least 500 metres in length in Tertiary to Cretaceous intrusives with classic porphyry-style alteration. The shear zones are mineralized with silver, copper and zinc mineralization. Previous drilling to an approximate depth of 100 metres (holes S-4 and S-7) suggests that the zone of alteration and mineralization is widening at depth. Previous geophysical surveys suggest that the near surface sulfide mineralization may also be present at depth. **(see attached figure)**

The Company is in the process of permitting an exploration program and anticipates completing an initial drill program this fall. The program will focus on testing the validity of the previous drilling and exploring mineralization to depth.

The Qualified Person, as defined by National Policy 43-101, responsible for the preparation of the technical information included in this press release and for supervision of field activities related to the Company's projects is N. Eric Fier, CPG, P. Eng., Qualified Person and Chief Operating Officer of the Company. The above information regarding the Blackstone property is of a historical nature, has not been verified by the Company's QP and therefore should not be relied upon. This deposit is a target for further exploration. However, the deposit is conceptual in nature and there has been insufficient sampling or measurement of the deposit to define a mineral resource. It is uncertain whether further work will result in the definition of a mineral resource on the property.

Acquisition of the Blackstone property continues the expansion of SilverCrest's portfolio of silver properties into North America and provides an intermediate-staged project that may potentially add low cost silver resources to the Company's current resource base. As with the Company's other acquisitions, the Blackstone project will be controlled 100% by SilverCrest and involves modest work commitments and cash payments with royalties payable from production. This acquisition is in keeping with the Company's goal of becoming a significant silver asset-based company by acquiring high grade, low cost silver resources open to expansion. The Company's longer-term initiative is to acquire, develop and operate high-grade silver mines in Central and North America.

This news release contains forward-looking statements which address future events and conditions which are subject to various risks and uncertainties. The Company's actual results, programs and financial position could differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements as a result of numerous factors, some of which may be beyond the Company's control. These factors include: the availability of funds; the timing and content of work programs; results of exploration activities and development of mineral properties, the interpretation of drilling results and other geological data, the uncertainties of resource and reserve estimations, receipt and security of mineral property titles; project cost overruns or unanticipated costs and expenses, fluctuations in metal prices; currency fluctuations; and general market and industry conditions.

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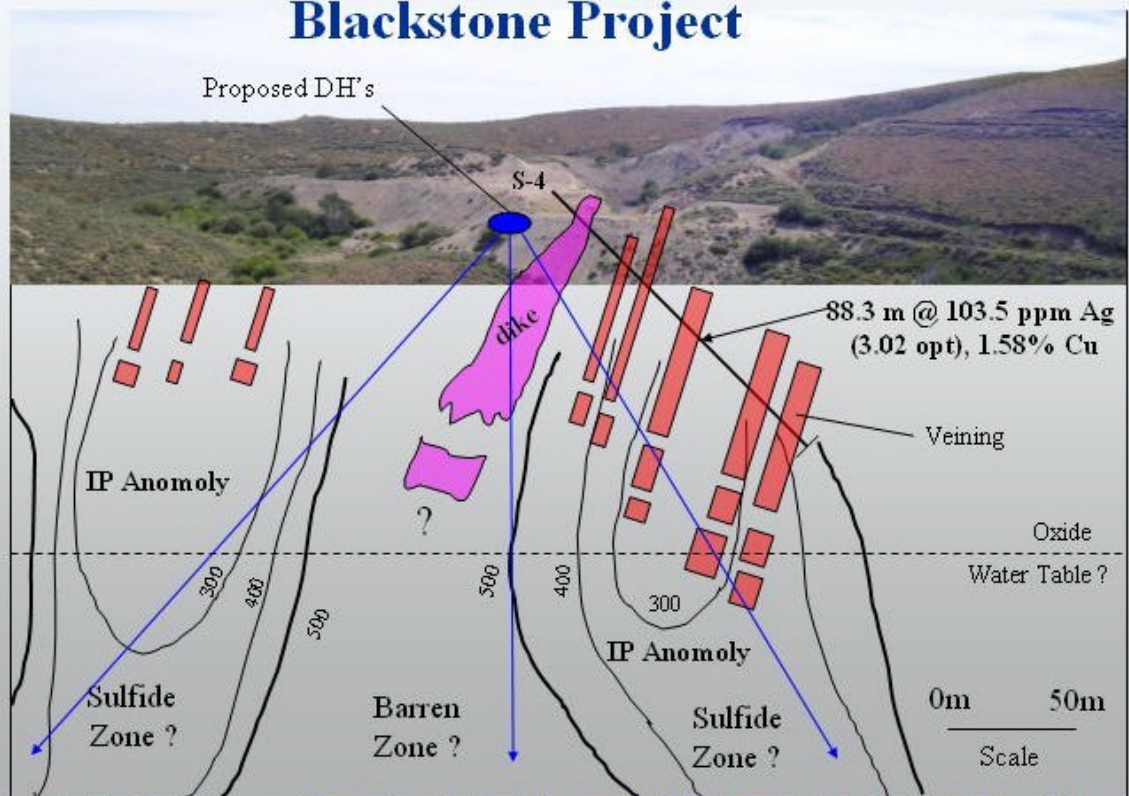
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