

Mine life extension work: Sable underground delineation drilling set to commence

Calgary, Alberta – Burgundy Diamond Mines Limited (ASX:BDM) is pleased to announce the commencement of our delineation and geotechnical drilling program at Sable next week, focused on determining the size and geotechnical information of the ore body below the current open pit operation.

The program will consist of up to 17 drillholes totalling ~5,865 meters. The results of the reverse circulation drilling program completed last quarter, and the results of the upcoming delineation program, are scheduled to be released this year as a prefeasibility study and/or an updated Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve table, which will be incorporated into Burgundy’s updated mine-life plan.

Burgundy Diamond Mines Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director, Kim Truter said:

“We successfully completed our reverse circulation drilling program at Sable last quarter, which will evaluate our diamond population at depth, in terms of grade and quality. Burgundy already has a strong understanding of the Sable product from the open pit, so it is now a case of confirming this for the deeper portions of the ore body.”

“We are excited about the size of the ore body at depth, which will be determined through our drilling work starting next week. To put Sable underground’s potential into perspective, our Misery operation’s ore body is almost half the surface area size of Sable at an equivalent position below the open pit, and Misery underground has been in production for almost five years with no signs of slowing down. We have limited historic drilling in the deeper portion of the pipe as an underground operation was not considered by previous owners, so the tonnage upside for Ekati could be substantial. This is another important program for cementing our mine-life extension work, which is progressing very well.”

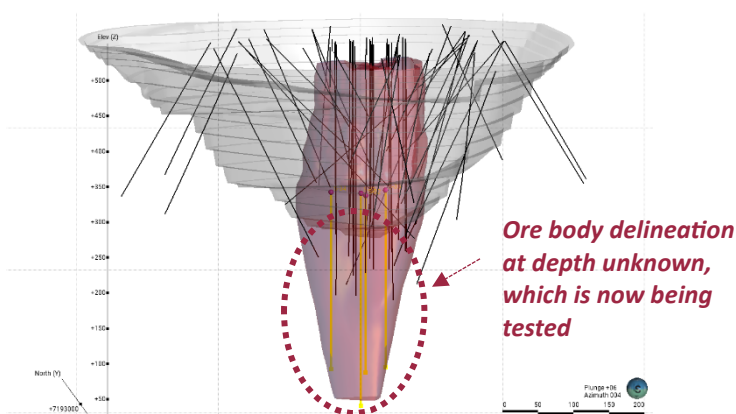


Figure 1 - Historic delineation drill holes (black) and completed reverse circulation drill holes (orange). Note the lack of pierce points at depth to adequately model the size of the Sable kimberlite pipe.

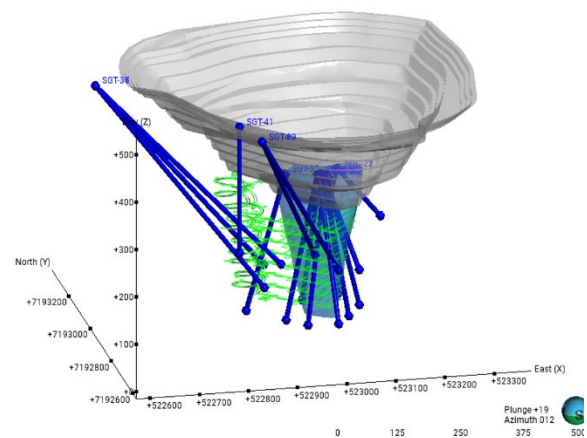


Figure 2 – Proposed delineation and geotechnical drill holes commencing next week. A preliminary mine design is shown.



Figure 3 - Sable open pit operation (left) and the completed reverse circulation drilling program (right). A similar set-up will occur next week for the commencement of the delineation and geotechnical Sable underground drill program.

This announcement was authorised for release by the board of Burgundy Diamond Mines Limited.

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About Burgundy Diamond Mines Limited

Burgundy Diamond Mines is a premier independent global scale diamond company focused on capturing the end-to-end value of its unique vertically integrated business model.

Burgundy's innovative strategy is focused on capturing margins along the full value chain of the diamond market, inclusive of mining, production, cutting and polishing, and the sale of diamonds. By building a balanced portfolio of the world's best diamond projects in favourable jurisdictions, including the globally ranked Canadian mining asset, Ekati, and a world class diamond cutting and polishing facility in Perth, Burgundy has unlocked access to the full diamond value chain. This end-to-end business model with total chain of custody provides traceability along every step of the process, with Burgundy able to safeguard the ethical production of the diamonds from mining to marketing and discovery to design. Burgundy was founded in Perth, Western Australia. The company is led by a world-class management team and Board.



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