Figure 2 shows the tonnes mined and milled per day over the projected Base Case life of mine by location of mineralized material exploited.

Figure 2 Click here.

Opportunities to Enhance the Base Case

- A potential Phase 2 shaft deepening project currently includes 10.9 million tonnes of 3.3 g/t Pd mineralized material below the 1065 Level.
- Project capital for Phase 2 is estimated to be $242.2 million generating an after tax internal rate of return of 7% and a $22 million NPV at a 5% discount rate using the Base Case economic assumptions.
- These preliminary positive results indicate that further exploration and definition drilling is warranted as the addition of mineralized material will greatly improve Phase 2 economics.

“We are encouraged by the opportunities to enhance the Base Case with the Phase 2 expansion of the Lower Offset Zone,” added Mr. du Toit. “In parallel with our ongoing drilling program at depth, we will continue to optimize engineering for Phase 2 to help ensure the best business case is developed as and when the resource is better defined.”

“The exploration program for Phase 2 is only partially complete and we already have a potential project with a positive rate of return,” said Jim Gallagher, Chief Operating Officer. “We continue to drill to expand and upgrade the resource below the 1065 Level.”