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Exploration Progress on the HNK Gold-Polymetallic Exploration Permit in Guangdong Province, China

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA-- September 18, 2007 -- **New Pacific Metals Corp.** (**TSX-V: NUX**) is pleased to report progress on the HNK Gold-Polymetallic Exploration permit area of Guangdong Province, China. The HNK permit, located in Guangning County, covers an area of approximately 56.5 square kilometers. There were many artesian mining activities on the properties which were shut down by local authorities ten years ago.

During the last several months, NUX's geologists have mapped and sampled a total of 166 old tunnels with a combined length of about 5,600 meters. Among the 166 old tunnels, samples from 55 tunnels have assayed gold values. In total, 15 gold-bearing veins ranging in lengths from 100 m to about 1,000 m and widths of 0.1 m to 1.5 m have been identified within a northeasterly elongated area of about 5 by 2.5 kilometers. Within the area, an IP geophysical survey has also been completed and six of the IP geophysical anomalies overlap with the known gold-bearing veins.

Veins V9, V18, V107 and V109 are the most important among the 15 veins and are the subject of the first phase drilling program to test their depth extension. A drill program of 3,500 m in ten drill holes has commenced with the first drill hole having been completed. Hole ZK2001 intercepted V9 vein from 177.9 m to 181.9 m (4 m of interval with a true width of 2.82 m) grading 4.32 g/t gold.

The following table lists sample assay results from the tunnels. Significant grade results include:

- 0.3 m grading 9.93 g/t gold for V9 vein from tunnel LD22,
- 0.35 m grading 23 g/t gold and 16 g/t silver for V9 vein from tunnel LD133,
- 0.5 m grading 29.29 g/t gold, 2705 g/t silver, 7.74% lead and 4.41% Zinc for Vein V109 from tunnel LD309,
- 0.7 m grading 9.66 g/t gold, 1055 g/t silver, 5.66% lead and 2.05% Zinc for V109 vein from tunnel LD309

ASSAY RESULTS FOR SAMPLES FROM TUNNELS							
(with gold cut-off grade of 1.0 g/t)							
Vein No.	Tunnel	Sample No.	Sample	Assay Result			
			Length (m)	Au(g/t)	Ag(g/t)	Pb(%)	Zn(%)
V9	LD19-1	H285-1	0.46	2.07	<5.0		
		H281-1	0.70	1.71	5.69		
		H283-1	0.51	2.51	<5.0		
		H289	0.77	4.35	<5.0		
	LD22	H281	0.30	9.93	<5.0		
		H282	0.40	3.02	<5.0		
		H286	0.30	1.25	<5.0		
		H279	0.40	1.44	<5.0		
		H280	0.90	1.28	<5.0		
		H62	0.30	1.36	<5.0	<0.01	<0.01
		H63	0.50	3.00	<5.0	0.04	0.05
		H10	0.20	3.04	3.20	0.05	0.01
	LD20	H274	0.90	1.21	<5.0		
		H09	0.70	1.08	2.00	0.01	0.01
	LD21	H201	0.30	2.98	<5.0		
		H203	0.70	2.37	<5.0		
		H202	1.00	2.08	<5.0		
	LD23	H952	0.40	2.19	<5.0		
		H957	1.00	1.40	<5.0		
	LD116	H610	0.43	2.97	<5.0		
		H611	0.45	1.04	<5.0		
	LD120	H224	0.35	5.22	17.10		
	LD132	H1963	1.10	2.19	<5.0		
	LD131	H1976	grab	1.04	5.28		
	LD133	H296	0.35	7.25	19.00		
		H300	0.30	3.27	9.03		
		H301	0.25	1.09	11.60		
		H306	0.58	1.01	<5.0		
		H310	0.60	1.14	<5.0		
		H311	0.52	1.02	<5.0		
		H312	0.42	2.40	<5.0		
		H313	0.35	23.00	16.00		
H315		0.30	3.82	<5.0			
H316		0.72	1.99	<5.0			
	H317	0.50	1.42	<5.0			

		H319	0.60	2.73	8.75		
		H320	0.80	3.56	<5.0		
	LD152	H1100	0.40	4.49	<5.0		
	LD164	H630	0.13	2.95	<5.0		
	LD165	H633	0.26	1.58	<5.0		
	LD169	H640	0.10	1.41	<5.0		
	LD170	H645	0.05	2.04	<5.0		
	LD171	H861	0.15	1.40	<5.0		
		H862	1.00	1.63	<5.0		
		H863	1.00	1.41	<5.0		
		H864	0.30	1.37	<5.0		
		H865	1.00	1.00	<5.0		
		H867	0.30	1.10	<5.0		
	LD176	H873	0.20	3.23	<5.0		
	LD177-1	H876	0.10	3.38	<5.0		
	LD176-1	H879	0.10	1.66	<5.0		
	LD178	H885	0.10	5.12	12.40		
	LD182	H888	0.10	47.27	26.90		
		H475	0.65	8.79	48.20		
		H477	0.30	3.70	<5.0		
	LD184	H890	0.10	1.08	<5.0		
	LD174	H896	0.10	4.31	<5.0		
	LD195	H440	1.00	1.46	<5.0		
		H443	grab	12.44			
		H829	0.60	2.20	<5.0		
	LD163	H620	0.30	6.69	<5.0		
		H625	0.30	6.68	<5.0		
V108	LD121	H705	1.00	1.39	<5.0		
		H712	0.70	1.47	11.10		
		H786	1.00	3.74	5.34		
		H719	0.60	3.58	<5.0		
		H725	1.00	1.25	<5.0		
	LD123	H732	1.00	1.21	<5.0		
		H751	0.20	1.64	16.20		
		H747	0.80	1.06	<5.0		
	H451	0.25	2.82	5.05			
	H458	0.60	1.05	<5.0			
V101	LD40	H16	0.20	7.65	6.61	0.01	0.02
	LD42	H19	0.25	2.06	<5.0	0.03	0.02
	LD44-4	H184	0.10	2.96	<5.0		
		H187	0.40	2.46	<5.0		

		H193	0.06	1.32	<5.0		
V107	LD56	H54	1.00	1.32	<5.0	0.02	0.01
V18	LD49	H34	0.10	17.30	98.90	2.59	0.11
		H35	0.15	2.93	37.20	1.04	0.10
		H36	0.10	5.94	87.90	1.61	0.07
		H153	0.20	2.68	14.60		
	LD50	H37	0.20	1.18	20.70	0.59	0.07
		H165	0.40	5.81	5.52		
	LD54	H42	0.10	1.01	<5.0	<0.01	0.02
		H45	0.20	1.12	<5.0	<0.01	<0.01
	LD54-2	H252	0.15	7.59	6.63		
	LD126	H806	0.80	1.18	<5.0		
		H813	0.15	8.35	5.87		
		H818	1.00	4.36	<5.0		
		H819	0.20	21.20	15.70		
		H820	1.00	1.01	<5.0		
	LD301	H1229	0.50	1.40	<5.0		
	LD303	H1239	1.00	2.27	<5.0		
		H1240	0.05	3.76	<5.0		
	LD115	H608	0.45	1.70	5.17		
		H605	0.45	1.04	<5.0		
		H606	0.13	29.40	18.30		
	LD76	H91	0.05	5.81	22.20	0.20	0.03
		H161	0.10	1.19	7.61		
	LD33	H46	0.20	9.73	29.20	0.35	0.08
		H47	0.50	8.27	31.90	0.39	0.04
		H13	0.25	2.91	52.50	1.03	0.03
		H117	0.25	3.96	30.40	0.78	0.03
		H145	0.10	11.30	31.20		
H148		0.20	8.98	48.80			
LD53	H155	0.10	4.49	5.02			
	H42	0.10	1.33	<5.0	<0.01	0.02	
V14	LD9	H55	0.30	3.82	<5.0	0.02	0.01
		H57	0.20	2.51	6.01	0.03	<0.01
		H120	0.10	3.94	7.44		
		H122	1.00	2.43	<5.0		
		H126	0.60	2.35	<5.0		
		H128	0.50	1.40	<5.0		
		H130	0.20	2.37	5.98		
		H132	0.60	1.88	<5.0		
		H137	0.10	2.50	<5.0		
		H138	0.20	1.21	<5.0		
H139	0.60	2.84	<5.0				

		H140	0.15	11.00	9.07		
		H143	0.20	3.03	10.70		
	D14	H134	0.60	7.39	34.30		
	LD57	H255	0.05	27.40	109.00		
		H258	1.00	1.68	<5.0		
		H59	0.10	1.83	11.00	0.02	<0.01
	LD64	H176	0.40	4.07	11.00		
		H177	0.05	2.48	5.55		
		H178	0.50	1.10	12.50		
		H179	0.90	1.73	9.81		
		H180	0.15	1.00	5.85		
		H181	0.70	1.10	<5.0		
	LD44-6	H197	0.40	2.32	<5.0		
	LD45	H23	0.25	4.59	<5.0	0.08	<0.01
		H25	0.50	1.81	5.06	0.65	<0.01
V109	LD309	H1261	0.14	13.05	1110.00	6.16	6.09
		H1267	0.70	9.66	1055.50	5.66	2.05
		H1269	0.50	29.29	2705.00	7.74	4.41
		H1272	0.80	2.93	142.00	0.11	0.05
		H1279	0.10	7.47	62.10	0.05	0.20
		H1280	1.30	2.35	98.16	0.16	2.64
		H1282	1.40	8.87	152.57	0.41	1.10
		H1286	1.30	1.69	66.26	0.53	0.68
		H1292	0.70	1.70	156.88	0.86	0.65
V17-1	LD99	H206	0.10	1.66	<5.0		
		H207	0.40	1.51	<5.0		
		H209	0.40	1.07	<5.0		
		H210	1.00	1.39	<5.0		
		H212	0.40	4.85	<5.0		
		H214	1.50	1.20	<5.0		
		H219	1.00	1.85	<5.0		
V4	LD128	H831	0.20	2.94	<5.0		
		H832	1.00	1.67	<5.0		
		H833	1.00	1.15	<5.0		
V6	LD187	H408	1.00	1.54	<5.0		
		H409	0.65	1.88	<5.0		
		H411	1.00	1.02	5.39		
		H412	0.80	2.35	<5.0		
	LD188	H415	0.42	1.70	<5.0		
		H416	0.90	1.30	<5.0		
V5	LD190L	H420	0.12	1.49	<5.0		
	LD190	H423	0.50	1.25	<5.0		
		H424	0.50	2.15	6.19		

		H426	0.50	1.51	<5.0		
V12	QD630		0.60	3.58			
V7	QD238		0.60	1.35			
V11	QD48		0.40	5.25			
	QD446		0.30	5.19			
	QD245		1.00	5.49			

Quality Control

The Company has implemented a quality control program to ensure best practice in sampling and analysis of the tunnel and drill hole samples. All samples are shipped directly in security sealed bags to the two certified Laboratories, the Laboratory of Sichuan Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources in Chengdu and the Testing Centre of Yunnan Province Bureau of Non-ferrous Metals Geology for cross checking. Both laboratories are certified by China Bureau of Quality Control and Quality Assurance. In the laboratories, samples are dried, crushed, split, pulverized to 200 mesh, and then assay according the standardized ICP/AA program. The Exploration work is carried out by Yunnan Jin Chang Jiang Mining Co. Ltd., a 100% subsidiary company of Silvercorp and is directly supervised by Mr. Jigui Sun (BA & M.S., Geology), the General Manager of Jin Chang Jiang and by Dr. Rui Feng (Ph.D., Geology), President of New Pacific.

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