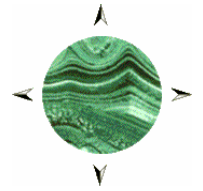


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MALACHITE GOES INTO COPPER

Malachite Resources NL has acquired an option to purchase a 100% interest in the Mt Lidster Copper-Gold Project, located about half way between Mt Isa and Cloncurry in northwest Queensland.

Mt Lidster is readily accessible from Mt Isa or Cloncurry and is located just a short distance north of the Barkly Highway, in northwest Queensland (Fig. 1). It is also only a few kilometres northwest of the old Mary Kathleen uranium mine. There is an historical link to Mary Kathleen as well, as an associate of the current tenement holder is the grandson of Clem Walton, who, with Norm McConachy, discovered the uranium deposit in 1954.

We have been keen to get into copper for some time,” commented Malachite managing director, Garry Lowder, **“after all, we are named after a copper mineral and Mt Lidster seems like just the opportunity we have been looking for.”**

The Mt Lidster prospect comprises a structure mineralised with copper and gold over about 650m along strike. The structure outcrops well and displays abundant gossan and gossanous quartz, much of it with prominent malachite. Small quantities of oxide copper ore have been mined in the past for sale in Mt Isa. [To view photographs of Mt Lidster and its copper mineralisation please visit: http://www.malachite.com.au/html/media_photos.htm]

The results of an initial drilling program being conducted by Malachite should be available around the end of this month. These holes, which are the first to be drilled at Mt Lidster, are targeting the more accessible exposures of copper-stained gossan and gossanous quartz. If the results are positive, the company plans to conduct further drilling at Mt Lidster before the end of 2006 and to resume drilling as soon as possible in 2007, with a view to rapidly defining a resource.

Dr Lowder added: **“We have gone into Mt Lidster because it is an immediate drill target that could rapidly become a significant copper-gold resource. Success at Mt Lidster could see us moving into production and cash flow very quickly by toll treatment or sale of ore in nearby Cloncurry or Mt Isa.”**



Figure 1: Mt Lidster Cu-Au project location map

About Malachite – Malachite Resources is a Sydney-based resources company that listed on the ASX in November 2002 and is an active explorer for gold, silver and base metals in Eastern Australia. The Company has made significant green fields gold discovery, called **Phoenix**, at Tooloom, in northeast NSW and has recently entered into a farm in agreement with Newmont Australia Ltd., whereby Newmont may earn a 51% interest at Tooloom by spending \$5 million on exploration over the next five years.

Elsewhere in northern NSW the Company is evaluating the scope to reopen the old **Conrad** silver-base metals mine near Inverell. Recent drilling at Conrad by Malachite produced most encouraging results and the outlook for the project is very promising. The Company also has other properties in the New England region of NSW and in western Tasmania, offering excellent potential for the discovery of economic gold, silver, copper, tin, tungsten and antimony deposits, with most prospects being polymetallic in nature.

For further information on the Mt Lidster acquisition please see an ASX Release on the subject dated 14 September 2006.

Photographs of Mt Lidster and its mineralisation can be viewed at:

http://www.malachite.com.au/html/media_photos.htm

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The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Dr Garry Lowder, who is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Dr Lowder has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves.' Dr Lowder consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.
