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ADDITIONAL SASKATCHEWAN COAL PERMITTING APPLICATIONS MADE

Kent Exploration Inc. (the "Company") reports it has submitted coal permit applications to the government of Saskatchewan's Energy Resources Permitting Office. The applications encompass 29,184 hectares (approximately 72,960 acres) in east-central Saskatchewan in proximity to the recent Goldsource Mines Inc (GXS: TSX-V) and Adamas Minerals (NAG: TSX-V) discovery. Including the coal permit applications reported in the Company's news release KEX2008-14, the total area now applied for by the Company is 47,616 ha (approximately 119,040 acres).

The applications have been made in accordance with all the rules and regulations of, and the approval is subject to, the government of Saskatchewan's permitting office.

Historical data and reports suggest that coal is present to the north edge of the Cretaceous rock sequence, along the shores of Wapawekka Lake to the north of the Adamas discovery. These reports further suggest that the Wapawekka outcrop is likely associated with a larger deposit to the south. The Adamas intercept is reported to be sub-bituminous A quality, and is directly south of Wapawekka Lake, along the low-lying basin adjacent to the southeast of the Narrow Hills uplands.

The discovery by Goldsource of coal in two drill holes 1,600 metres apart, and the Adamas discovery, suggest the potential for a much larger coal system. The coal in the discovery areas is reported to be bituminous to sub-bituminous and encountered in the Mannville/Swan River group of Cretaceous age. Coal structures of the Cretaceous age are reported to be generally very large and can encompass several thousand square kilometers.

Kent Exploration Inc is a junior exploration company that has a 100% interest in a mining lease option on the Flagstaff Mountain property, a gold/silver/zinc/barite prospect in eastern Washington state, is earning a 100% interest in the Rosebud property, a gold/silver prospect in northern Arizona, has earned 50% of a 100% interest in the mining lease option on the Ivanhoe Creek property, a Midas-style gold/silver target and 50% of a 100% interest in the Ivanhoe Creek placer claims, covering a bentonite deposit in Nevada's Carlin Trend, has a 100% option on the Silver Hills property in south-eastern British Columbia.

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