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Independence Gold Recovers Up To 99.5% Gold From Merit Property, British Columbia

Vancouver, BC – Independence Gold Corp. (TSX.V: IGO) ("Independence" or "the Company") is pleased to announce results from an Early Stage Metallurgical Study ("ESME") carried out on auriferous vein material collected from the Sullivan Ridge Target at the Merit Property ("the Property"), British Columbia. The study, comprised of two composite vein samples recovered 99.5% and 96.6% gold, respectively, through a three-stage process of gravity separation, flotation and leaching, indicating favourable mineralogy for further exploration.

Sample Selection and Preparation

Composite samples composed of chalcedonic quartz were collected from two separate veins at the Sullivan Ridge Target. These veins yielded gold assay values up to 9.5 grams per tonne ("g/t") from samples collected earlier in the season (see [news release](#) dated November 4th, 2019) and are considered representative of the Property.

Samples were submitted to SGS Labs in Burnaby for testing. They were initially crushed to 100% passing 10-micron mesh, then each sample was blended and rotary split into two-kilogram test charges for the metallurgical testing. A 100g sub-sample was also separated using a riffle splitter and submitted for chemical head assays including gold, copper and total sulphur, as well as for head mineralogy study.

Head Results

The following table shows the assays results for both samples and appear to show some level of "nugget" distribution in the samples as expected.

Sample	Au (g/t)	Au-Duplicate (g/t)	Au Average (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Cu %	S %
ESME 1	0.59	0.68	0.64	145	<0.01	0.03
ESME 2	7.29	7.01	7.15	11.0	0.02	0.03

The mineralogy of the two samples were studied using QEMSCAN Particle Mineral Analysis (PMA), and indicated the main sulphides present are pyrite and marcasite, with copper being mostly native.

Gravity Separation

A single gravity separation test was completed on each composite to evaluate the potential for gravity recoverable gold and silver using a Knelson concentrator. The concentrate was submitted for assaying and the tailings used for flotation testing. Gravity methods managed to recover 50.7% gold and 66.6% silver in ESME 1, and 62.2% and 38.8% silver in ESME 2.

Flotation Testwork

A single test was conducted on each of the gravity tailings to assess further recoverability of gold and silver, with the concentrate being submitted for assaying and mineralogy. From these tailings, ESME 1 recovered 74.9% gold and 85.3% of the silver remaining in the stream. ESME 2 recovered 63.4% gold and 50.2% silver.

Cyanide Leaching

The floatation tailings were submitted for bottle roll cyanide leaching tests, lasting for 48-hours with a pH of 10.5 to 11. Both composites performed well and recovered additional gold in the pregnant leach solution. ESME 1 recovered 96.3% gold from the floatation tailings, while ESME 2 recovered 75.4% gold.

Product Mineralogy

In both samples, gold occurs as either native gold or electrum. Other minerals of note include hessite (silver telluride) and acanthite (silver sulphide).

Overall Results

The following table summarizes the results of the ESME test work. It is believed that recoverability could be further improved by modifying the processes, but the initial high recovery amounts increase confidence in future exploration of the multiple gold zones on the Property. It was also found that the final tailings are not acid producing, which is key in future environmental considerations.

	ESME 1		ESME 2	
	Total Gold Recovery	Total Silver Recovery	Total Gold Recovery	Total Silver Recovery
Gravity Concentrate	50.7 %	95.1%	62.2%	69.5%
Floatation Concentrate	36.9 %		24.0%	
Leach Concentrate	11.9 %	n/a	10.4%	n/a
TOTAL RECOVERY	99.5 %	95.1%	96.6%	69.5%

About Independence

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Andy Randell, P.Geo., the Company's Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed the technical information in this news release.

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