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Step Out Drilling at San Francisco Mine Indicates Potential to Increase Gold Resource and Currently Planned Pit Limits

Timmins Gold Corporation (TMM, TSX-V) is pleased to announce the results of a 69 hole, 6,515 meter systematic surface reverse circulation drill program within a grid 200 meters wide and extending 150 meters along strike from the current Northwest (NW) limit and 200 meters from the Southeast (SE) limit of the open pit at its 100%-owned, San Francisco gold mine, located in the northern Mexican State of Sonora. The San Francisco Mine is currently ramping up to commercial production with all infrastructure now in place. The drilling was carried out to test the extension of the structurally controlled mineralization outside of the current resource. A second drill rig is in transit to the mine and an extensive drill program is currently being planned for 2010.

Northwest Zone

The results include multiple intersections in a series of 42 holes totaling 4,300 meters situated 100-150 meters WNW of the currently planned pit limit. Highlights of the program include Hole TF-200 which intersected 34.5 meters grading 1.43 gpt (grams per ton) gold (from 28.5 to 63 m depth) and holes TF-185 and TF-189 located approximately 140 meters to the south of Hole TF-200 which intersected 13.5 meters grading 1.05 gpt gold (from surface to 13.5 meters) and 13.5 meters grading 1.77 gpt gold (25.5 to 39 meters); and 15.0 meters grading 1.59 gpt gold (36 to 51 meters), respectively. Hole TF-201 in the same area had an intercept of 16 meters grading 2.15 g/t Au (16.5 to 33 meters).

These results indicate that the gold mineralization extends along strike to the NW and SE of the currently planned pit limits. The anomalous drill intersections follow the trace of a major mineralized structural feature, thought to have been important in the localization of gold mineralization in the existing pit. This zone is 650 meters across at its widest dimension inside the pit. This structural zone is now known to continue to the NW and SE, presenting high priority

exploration targets which will be further explored by drilling with the objective of increasing the resource at the San Francisco mine.

Southeast Zone

The current program to the SE of the currently planned pit limit consisted of 2,215 meters of reverse circulation drilling in 27 holes. The program was designed to determine the continuity of near surface gold mineralization identified from previous programs. Highlights from the SE include Hole TF 159 which intersected 2.31 gpt gold over 15 meters (1.5 to 16.5 meters), Hole TF 161 which intersected 1.45 gpt gold over 15 meters (9 to 24 meters) and Hole TF 199 which intersected 1.09 gpt gold over 19.5 meters (60 to 79.50 meters). The current results show at least two shallow mineral zones located between surface and 80 meters depth elongated along an E-W strike with a width of 60 meters approximately 200 meters from the current pit. Additional drilling is required to determine whether this zone can be linked up to the current pit.

The results from current and previous drill programs will be used to generate a database for block modeling with the aim of increasing the mineral resource at the San Francisco mine.

Tables 1 and 2, shown below, give complete results for the recently completed surface RC drilling campaign. The large number of highly anomalous intersections indicate that more drilling is necessary to determine continuity and also indicate that the overall footprint of the San Francisco deposit may be amenable to significant expansion through additional drilling. The widths in both tables are true widths.

Table 1: Anomalous drill intersections from holes drilled to the W-NW of the currently planned limit of the San Francisco pit

Drill Hole No.	Section Line	Mineral Intersections			
		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
TF 177	1240 W	0.00	3.00	3.00	1.05
	And	54.00	55.50	1.50	1.47
TF 178	1300 W	1.50	4.50	3.00	1.50
	And	13.50	16.50	3.00	0.58
	And	49.50	51.00	1.50	2.97
	And	109.50	111.00	1.50	0.60
TF 179	1320 W	34.50	36.00	1.50	2.45
	And	39.00	43.50	4.50	3.28
	And	52.50	54.00	1.50	0.47
	And	57.00	64.50	7.50	1.17
TF 181	1340 W	19.50	21.00	1.50	0.43
	And	111.00	112.50	1.50	0.35
TF 182	1340 W	28.50	33.00	4.50	0.36
	And	33.00	36.00	3.00	1.01
	And	37.50	45.00	7.50	0.50
TF 183	1340 W	1.50	3.00	1.50	1.13

Drill Hole No.	Section Line	Mineral Intersections			
		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
	And	6.00	9.00	3.00	0.71
	And	10.50	18.00	7.50	0.91
	And	27.00	28.50	1.50	2.67
	And	31.50	33.00	1.50	0.53
	And	51.00	54.00	3.00	1.48
	And	76.50	106.50	30.00	0.80
	And	136.50	138.00	1.50	0.60
TF 185	1360 W	0.00	13.50	13.50	1.05
	and	25.50	39.00	13.50	1.77
	and	45.00	49.50	4.50	0.82
	and	51.00	52.50	1.50	0.42
	and	55.50	61.50	6.00	0.41
TF 186	1360 W	15.00	16.50	1.50	0.97
	and	40.50	42.00	1.50	1.23
	and	73.50	82.50	9.00	0.53
	and	84.00	85.50	1.50	0.57
	and	100.50	102.00	1.50	0.43
	and	109.50	117.00	7.50	1.37
	and	120.00	121.50	1.50	0.43
TF 188	1400 W	18.00	21.00	3.00	0.46
	and	43.50	46.50	3.00	0.77
	and	55.50	58.50	3.00	0.98
	and	63.00	70.50	7.50	1.88
TF 189	1400 W	12.00	13.50	1.50	2.23
	and	19.50	25.50	6.00	1.72
	and	31.50	33.00	1.50	0.23
	and	36.00	51.00	15.00	1.59
	and	60.00	64.50	4.50	0.96
	and	87.00	90.00	3.00	0.41
	and	115.50	117.00	1.50	0.53
	and	133.50	135.00	1.50	1.50
TF 200		28.50	63.00	34.50	1.43
	and	109.50	112.50	3.00	1.05
	and	114.00	118.50	4.50	1.32
TF-201		16.50	33.00	16.50	2.15
TF-202		0.00	3.00	3.00	0.75
	and	13.50	18.00	4.50	0.62
	and	19.50	24.00	4.50	0.90
TF 216	1240 W	39.00	42.00	3.00	0.45
TF 218	1260 W	61.00	62.50	1.50	1.07
	and	67.50	69.00	1.50	1.23
	and	75.00	78.00	3.00	0.61

Drill Hole No.	Section Line	Mineral Intersections			
		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
TF 220	1320 W	6.00	9.00	3.00	3.15
	and	10.50	22.50	12.00	1.25
	and	54.00	60.00	6.00	0.43
	and	84.00	96.00	12.00	0.68
	and	99.00	106.50	7.50	0.80
	and	115.50	121.50	6.00	1.28
TF 221	1340 W	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.43
	and	24.00	25.50	1.50	0.40
	and	33.00	39.00	6.00	15.61
	and	55.50	61.50	6.00	0.74
	and	64.50	69.00	4.50	0.53
	and	75.00	78.00	3.00	0.54
	and	94.50	99.00	4.50	0.70
TF 222	1340 W	73.50	91.50	18.00	1.31
	and	102.00	106.50	4.50	1.48
	and	124.50	133.50	9.00	1.83
TF 223	1360 W	22.50	31.50	9.00	3.94
	and	60.00	63.00	3.00	1.56
	and	82.50	88.50	6.00	0.87
	and	96.00	105.00	9.00	0.71
	and	109.50	115.50	6.00	0.97
	and	117.00	126.00	9.00	1.00
TF 224	1380 W	15.00	25.50	10.50	2.17
	and	30.00	33.00	3.00	0.53
	and	39.00	45.00	6.00	1.66
	and	90.00	91.50	1.50	0.57
	and	97.50	103.50	6.00	0.91
	and	112.50	114.00	1.50	0.77
	and	117.00	118.50	1.50	0.4
	and	121.50	123.00	1.50	0.5
TF 225	1400 W	55.50	57.00	1.50	0.77
	and	69.00	72.00	3.00	0.70
	and	84.00	93.00	9.00	0.42
	and	94.50	100.50	6.00	1.17
TF 227	1420 W	15.00	16.50	1.50	0.40
	and	45.00	46.50	1.50	0.63
	and	49.50	51.00	1.50	2.33
	and	63.00	66.00	3.00	0.35
	and	73.50	79.50	6.00	0.43

Table 2: Anomalous drill intersections from holes drilled to the E-SE of the currently planned limit of the San Francisco pit

Drill Hole No.	Section Line	Mineral Intersections			
		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
TF 151	40 E	25.50	27.00	1.50	0.200
TF 152	40 E	39.00	40.50	1.50	0.300
	and	75.00	78.00	3.00	0.280
TF 153	40 E	103.50	105.00	1.50	0.230
TF 156	0	0.00	3.00	3.00	0.200
	and	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.200
	and	25.50	27.00	1.50	0.700
	and	66.00	75.00	9.00	1.48
TF 157	0	10.50	13.50	3.00	0.240
	and	78.00	79.50	1.50	0.300
TF 158	0	7.50	9.00	1.50	0.230
	and	51.00	52.50	1.50	0.330
TF 159	0	1.50	16.50	15.00	2.31
	and	24.00	28.50	4.50	0.280
	and	78.00	82.50	4.50	0.300
TF 160	0	1.50	3.00	1.50	0.300
	and	31.50	33.00	1.50	0.430
	and	34.50	36.00	1.50	0.300
	and	37.50	45.00	7.50	0.390
	and	49.50	51.00	1.50	0.300
	and	55.50	58.50	3.00	0.200
TF 161	60 E	9.00	24.00	15.00	1.45
	and	52.50	54.00	1.50	0.43
	and	76.50	78.00	1.50	0.27
	and	84.00	87.00	3.00	0.85
TF 166	20 E	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.230
TF 167	20 W	16.50	18.00	1.50	0.270
	and	21.00	22.50	1.50	0.400
	and	36.00	37.50	1.50	0.400
	and	55.50	57.00	1.50	0.230
	and	78.00	79.50	1.50	0.330
	and	91.50	93.00	1.50	0.530
TF 169	20 W	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.350
	and	10.50	12.00	1.50	0.230
	and	51.00	54.00	3.00	0.520
TF 170	20 W	3.00	10.50	7.50	0.640
	and	12.00	13.50	1.50	0.350
	and	30.00	31.50	1.50	0.570

Drill Hole No.	Section Line	Mineral Intersections			
		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
	and	33.00	34.50	1.50	0.250
	and	52.50	54.00	1.50	0.370
	and	108.00	109.50	1.50	0.280
TF 171	40 W	6.00	7.50	1.50	1.58
	and	27.00	28.50	1.50	0.270
	and	67.50	72.00	4.50	0.260
	and	75.00	76.50	1.50	1.23
TF 172	40 W	0.00	7.50	7.50	0.48
	and	10.50	12.00	1.50	0.40
	and	18.00	24.00	6.00	0.27
	and	48.00	51.00	3.00	0.27
	and	54.00	58.50	4.50	0.56
TF 174	80 W	0.00	1.50	1.50	0.23
	and	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.23
	and	24.00	27.00	3.00	0.48
	and	36.00	37.50	1.50	1.40
TF 175	100 W	1.50	3.00	1.50	0.20
	and	4.50	6.00	1.50	0.23
	and	13.50	16.50	3.00	0.44
	and	18.00	21.00	3.00	0.62
	and	24.00	25.50	1.50	0.20
	and	36.00	39.00	3.00	0.72
	and	46.50	52.50	6.00	0.55
	and	61.50	63.00	1.50	0.23
TF 190	20 W	15.00	16.50	1.50	0.67
	and	18.00	25.50	7.50	0.52
TF 191	20 W	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.35
	and	19.50	27.00	7.50	4.05
	and	30.00	34.50	4.50	0.77
TF 192	0	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.83
	and	15.00	18.00	3.00	0.25
	and	21.00	28.50	7.50	0.65
	and	34.50	39.00	4.50	0.38
TF 193	0	55.50	57.00	1.50	0.30
	and	69.00	72.00	3.00	0.67
	and	75.00	76.50	1.50	0.23
TF 194	20 W	6.00	7.50	1.50	0.57
	and	30.00	31.50	1.50	0.20
TF 195	20 W	46.50	48.00	1.50	0.23
TF 196	20 W	9.00	21.00	12.00	0.74
	and	30.00	34.50	4.50	3.96
	and	48.00	52.50	4.50	0.40

Drill Hole No.	Section Line	Mineral Intersections			
		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
TF 197	40 E	0.00	1.50	1.50	0.50
	and	33.00	34.50	1.50	0.60
	and	37.50	40.50	3.00	0.36
TF 198	40 E	3.00	6.00	3.00	0.60
	and	30.00	31.50	1.50	0.33
	and	36.00	39.00	3.00	1.19
	and	60.00	79.50	19.50	1.09
TF 199	20 E	18.00	19.50	1.50	0.38
	and	27.00	30.00	3.00	1.05
	and	34.50	40.50	6.00	0.52
	and	45.00	54.00	9.00	0.33
	and	64.50	66.00	1.50	0.43
	and	67.50	69.00	1.50	0.20

All the samples collected during the drilling were prepared and assayed in the San Francisco mine assay laboratory using fire assay and gravimetric finish. Strict sampling and QA-QC protocol were followed to ensure the best practices in sampling and analysis of the drill samples. Duplicates, standards and blanks were inserted into the sampling stream at intervals of 25 samples. Fifteen percent of the pulps were sent to IPL-Inspectorate Lab, an independent assay lab in Vancouver, Canada, for check assays. The check assays were cross referenced to the mine assays and verified the results.

About Timmins Gold

Timmins Gold Corporation is strategically positioned for gold production and development. Focused solely in Mexico, Timmins Gold is currently ramping up to commercial production at its wholly owned San Francisco Gold mine in Sonora, Mexico.

The mine is a past-producing open pit heap leach operation from which Timmins Gold has projected production at a rate in excess of 80,000 ounces of gold per year at a life of mine cash cost of approximately \$412 per ounce. (Micon International Preliminary Feasibility Study, March 2008)

To date all plant and equipment necessary for full production is in place including crushing, leaching and extraction facilities. Surface drilling in the vicinity of the deposit is ongoing with the objective of adding gold ounces to the inventory to expand current mine life.

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