

Marathon Intersects Sulphide Lenses at Coppermine Zone

TORONTO, June 12 2009 - (MAR:TSX): Marathon PGM Corporation ("Marathon") today announced the completion of a 6 hole, 549 m drill program on the Coppermine Zone located in the western end of the Bird River Project in southeast Manitoba. Lenses of sulphides were intersected in 5 holes, which confirms the results of prospecting and an EM geophysical anomaly.

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- sulphides encountered in drilling are down dip of samples
- anomalous PGM and base metal values
- mineralization at Coppermine extends over a strike length of 800 m in 5 holes
- drilling is part of Marathon's assessment work which puts Bird River Project in good standing until 2012
- best copper values intersected coincide with geophysical anomaly
- mineralized intersections are within 80 m of surface

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David Good, P.Geo, VP of Exploration stated "It is interesting to see that the western end of the Bird River sill has a more favourable palladium to platinum ratio of 2.27 vs. 4.35 as well as higher values of PGM relative to base metals when compared to the eastern end of the sill."

First Steps at Coppermine Zone

Marathon's initial prospecting in 2007 extended the strikelength of mineralization to over 800 m. Marathon's sampling returned anomalous PGM and base metals with values reported up to 0.21 % nickel, 0.44 % copper and 3.30 g/t PGM+Au. A single hole at the Coppermine Zone was drilled by Canex Placer Ltd in 1973 and contained an intersection grading 0.24 % nickel, 0.42 % copper, 1.02 g/t platinum and 1.19 g/t palladium over 12.2 m. Additional prospecting was carried out by Marathon along strike from this hole, yielding a total of 77 grab samples, of which 20 returned values of greater than 0.5 g/t platinum plus palladium, including 8 samples in the range of 1-3 g/t platinum plus palladium (please see Marathon press release of 11-June-07).

Drilling Results - Coppermine Zone

True	Total PGM +
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Cu (%)	Ni (%)	Hole	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Pd (g/t)	Pt (g/t)	Au (g/t)	Au (g/t)
0.23	0.13	MC-09-01	51	57	6	0.46	0.21	0.13	0.79
0.16	0.11	MC-09-02	71	77	6	0.32	0.15	0.06	0.52
0.71	0.07	MC-09-03	44.5	50	5.5	0.35	0.17	0.16	0.68
0.36	0.02	MC-09-04	31	33	2	1.38	0.37	0.20	1.95
0.36	0.02	MC-09-04	59	67	8	0.03	0.01	0.09	0.13
0.20	0.11	MC-09-06	15	37	22	0.51	0.30	0.11	0.92
0.29	0.19	MC-09-06	21	29	8	0.87	0.50	0.16	1.53

(1) MC-09-05 intersected no significant values

On Going Activities

In addition to the drilling at Coppermine, prospecting is being carried out at the Chrome and Galaxy zones to follow up geophysical anomalies. The Coppermine drilling separated by 15 km strike of the Bird River Sill from the last known drill hole at the Chrome Zone. This 15 km of strike length is highly prospective and warrants future drilling. Reinterpretation of the Page and Ore Fault drill databases and relogging of select Ore Fault and Page holes from as far back as the 1970s will assist in further refinement of the model of mineralization and identify new directions for exploration.

Marathon's drilling will add to the Bird River resource base. Marathon successfully delineated over 5 mt of in-pit resource at the Ore Fault and Page Zones in 2008.

2009 Exploration Program

Marathon is operator of the Bird River Project and owns approximately 55% of the joint venture with Gossan Resources Ltd ("Gossan"). The Project covers over 20 km of the

highly prospective Bird River Sill, which is host to two past producing mines and numerous mineralized zones of base and precious metals. Marathon has only explored the eastern 3 km of strike on the Bird River Sill with drilling in the Page Zone and Ore Fault Zone, with both zones now having resources.

The planned work is a required part of the assessment process. Additional work planned for the remainder of the year consists of geological mapping and data compilation, both of which are low cost. Marathon has access to a considerable amount of data from previous operators, much of which is yielding new showings for ground follow-up.

Samples consist of NQ-size drill core that are split by diamond saw on site, prepared at ALS Chemex Thunder Bay, and assayed by fire assay with an ICP-OES finish (for Pt, Pd and Au) and acid dissolution and ICP-OES finish for base metals at ALS Vancouver. Marathon's quality assurance-quality control (QA-QC) program consists of insertion of standards of known PGM content and duplicates every 40 samples. After sampling, the remaining half core is retained on site for future verification and reference purposes.

David Good, P.Geo., VP of Exploration, is Marathon's Qualified Person in compliance with National Instrument 43-101 with respect to this release. Dr. Good has reviewed the contents for accuracy and has approved this press release on behalf of Marathon.

About Marathon PGM Corporation:

Marathon completed a definitive feasibility study on the Marathon PGM-Cu deposit in December of 2008. Marathon also has development and exploration stage properties in southeastern Manitoba and western Newfoundland, respectively. Marathon's management plans to build on its experience through the advancement of its properties and by examining other strategic opportunities.

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