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GOLDEN MILE SOUTH - UPDATE

Australian diversified minerals exploration company Mawson West (**ASX: MWE**) ("Mawson West" or "the Company") holds 75%-100% of the Golden Mile South Project which is located 4km south of KCGM's 74million ounce Superpit operation in Kalgoorlie, Western Australia.

ASX-listed St Barbara Limited (**SBM**) withdrew from a farmin deal on the Golden Mile South Project in April 2009.

This withdrawal triggered a Clause in the Agreement whereby Newmont Australia Investment Limited has a 60 day Option to take up the earn-in position of SBM on the same terms. Newmont have elected not to take up the option.

Mawson West still holds the project 75-100%.

Yours sincerely

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