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OPAWICA ANNOUNCES INITIAL DRILL RESULTS FROM ATIKWA LAKE AND DINGMAN PROPERTIES 2009 DRILLING

Opawica Explorations Inc. (“Opawica” / the “Company”) announces initial drill hole results from the drill programs that commenced in late February 2009 on Opawica’s 100% owned Dingman and Atikwa Lake properties, Ontario.

ATIKWA LAKE, ONTARIO, Cu – Au

The following drill hole results for the first 7 of a minimum 16 hole drill program at the Atikwa Lake property, located near Kenora, Ontario are as follows:

Assay Results Received For Opawica 2009 Drilling — Atikwa Lake Project

Hole No.	Section	Target		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t	Cu %
AT-09-01	844 N	Maybrun FW		260.75	470.00	209.25	0.32	0.116
			including	276.00	297.00	21.00	0.67	0.392
			including	278.00	282.00	4.00	1.88	0.893
			including	278.00	279.00	1.00	4.94	1.940
			Also	341.00	348.00	7.00	1.00	0.329
			including	346.00	347.00	1.00	3.29	0.285
			Also	363.00	389.00	26.00	0.58	0.129
			including	382.00	383.00	1.00	3.81	0.144
			Also	465.00	470.00	5.00	1.84	0.003
AT-09-02	837 N	Maybrun FW		237.00	427.00	190.00	0.36	0.090
			including	238.00	243.00	5.00	1.22	0.418
			including	241.00	242.00	1.00	3.22	0.730
			Also	296.00	297.00	1.00	5.49	0.362
			Also	310.00	334.00	24.00	0.80	0.135
			including	311.00	313.00	2.00	3.36	0.057
			Also	424.00	426.00	2.00	2.84	0.022
AT-09-03	2000 N	North		423.00	477.00	54.00	0.31	0.112
			including	423.00	433.00	10.00	0.47	0.105
			And	442.00	448.00	6.00	0.45	0.125
			And	453.00	458.00	5.00	0.40	0.713
			And	471.00	477.00	6.00	0.91	0.039
			including	475.00	476.00	1.00	3.29	0.038

Hole No.	Section	Target		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t	Cu %
AT-09-04	1850 N	Center		82.00	115.00	33.0	0.31	0.307
			including	85.00	94.00	9.00	0.51	0.242
			And	102.00	107.00	5.00	0.60	1.061
				149.00	154.00	5.00	1.27	0.197
			including	152.00	154.00	2.00	2.74	0.355
				164.00	170.00	6.00	0.15	0.169
AT-09-05	1806 N	Center		82.00	124.00	42.00	0.62	0.366
			including	92.00	108.00	16.00	1.49	0.597
			including	95.00	100.00	5.00	2.38	1.312
			including	99.00	100.00	1.00	5.35	2.030
AT-09-06	1606 N	Center		76.00	77.00	1.00	0.06	0.500
				85.00	86.00	1.00	0.46	0.118
				122.00	123.00	1.00	0.13	0.408
			Also	107.00	108.00	1.00	10.35	0.173
AT-09-07	840 N	Maybrun FW		398.00	477.00	79.00	0.42	0.155
			including	419.00	430.00	11.00	0.34	0.411
			And	443.00	477.00	34.00	0.74	0.137
			including	460.00	473.00	13.00	1.26	0.083
			including	460.00	468.00	8.00	1.70	0.117
			including	460.00	462.00	2.00	4.89	0.075
			including	461.00	462.00	1.00	7.96	0.148

The true widths of the mineralized zones are 75 to 85% of the above drill intercept widths. A further 9 holes are ongoing and planned at Atikwa Lake under the current program.

DINGMAN, ONTARIO, Au & Aggregates

The following initial drill hole results from the Dingman gold property, located about 95 km north east of the Greater Toronto Area ("GTA"), Ontario, are as follows:

Assay Results Received For Opawica 2009 Drilling — Dingman Project

Hole No.	Section		From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Gold g/t
DI-09-01	15W		518.0	705.0	187.0	0.70
		including	610.0	705.0	95.0	1.00
		including	629.0	658.0	29.0	1.68
		including	629.0	639.0	10.0	3.07
		including	638.0	639.0	1.0	14.54

The true widths of these mineralized zones are approximately 70% of the above Dingman drill intercept widths. A further 7 holes are ongoing or planned under the current program.

The above Dingman drill hole is significant as it demonstrates that the 800m long Dingman granitic stock is mineralized from surface to a depth of at least 600m and remains wide open to depth from this level. At about 600m deep, the granitic stock, and mineralization contained therein is about 140m wide which makes the zone approximately 25m wider than the widest sections encountered from all previous drilling conducted within 225m of surface. In addition, when reviewing the drilling conducted above 225m in depth with hole DI-09-01, at least one higher grade portion of the granite continues to be evident in this deep hole consisting of 29m at 1.68 g/t Au, including 10m of 3.07 g/t Au and including 1m of 14.54 g/t Au.

Gold mineralization of the Dingman granitic stock is typical of the significant hydrothermal quartz-carbonate vein deposits hosted by granitoid rocks in Archean and early Proterozoic rocks in Canada, which are usually found substantially further north of the Dingman property associated with some of the prominent gold districts of northern Ontario and Quebec.

Alteration, quartz veining and gold mineralization on the Dingman property appear to have been strongly controlled by structures within the Dingman granite. Wall rock hydrothermal alteration consists of large zones of alkali metasomatism primarily in the form of sericite and sulphidation, primarily pyrite, with lesser amounts of chalcopyrite, galena and sphalerite. The complex style of quartz veining at the Dingman property is typical of the network of veins and related host structures characteristic of many Archean vein deposits. An important component of a number of Archean vein deposits is their significant vertical extent which can exceed 2 km in depth (Pope 2009).

Fire assaying for the Atikwa Lake and Dingman properties was completed by Swastika Laboratories of Kirkland Lake, Ontario.

The Qualified Person ("QP") for the Atikwa Lake and Dingman properties is Mr. Robert (Bob) Laakso, P.Eng., of Holland Landing, Ontario, and he has reviewed the contents of this release.

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