



**NEWS RELEASE**

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**TSX Venture Exchange Symbol "CMK"**

**Hon. Bill McKnight P.C. Elected Chairman of Cline Mining**

Vancouver, British Columbia. The Company is pleased to announce that the Hon. Bill McKnight P.C. has been elected as Chairman of the Board of Cline Mining Corporation. Bill McKnight, an independent Saskatchewan businessman, was previously a senior Canadian Cabinet Minister and served variously as Minister of National Defence (Gulf War), Minister of Energy, Mines & Resources, Minister of Indian Affairs, Minister of Agriculture and Western Economic Diversification.

In other matters, the Company announces that Dr. Bernard Furth-Bourquin has resigned as a director to pursue other interests. The Board has extended its very sincere thanks to Dr. Furth for his work on the Board and his important contribution to the success of the Company.

Cline Mining is a coal mine development company focused on the exploration and development of metallurgical coal mining properties in British Columbia. The Company trades on the TSX-Venture Exchange under the symbol CMK.

Cline Mining Corporation

"Ken Bates"

Ken Bates, President

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