



## **CLINE RECEIVES LETTERS OF INTENT FROM JAPANESE STEEL MILLS**

**Vancouver, February 15, 2005 - Cline Mining Corporation (CMK-TSXV).** Cline has now received separate Letters of Intent from three Japanese Steel Mills to purchase metallurgical grade Pulverized Coal Injection (PCI) coal and Coking Coal products to be produced by Cline from its Lossan and Lodgepole new coal mine development projects located in Northeast and Southeast British Columbia. The Letters of Intent were issued following presentation of the Cline Lossan and Lodgepole coal mine development projects to each of the Japanese steel industry companies in December.

The Mitsui Matsushima Co. Ltd. Group of Japan is the exclusive coal Marketing & Sales Agent for Cline Mining and is a shareholder of the Company.

Lossan is in the Northeast area coalfield of British Columbia about 15 kilometers from the Canadian National Rail line serving west coast ports. The Lossan coals are Pulverized Coal Injection (PCI) and Coking Coal for use in steelmaking. The coals are slated for export from west coast ports. Lossan is a developed coal prospect containing 100 million tonnes of in place coal resource in the Lossan-Axis Syncline fold pair (B.C. Ministry of Energy & Mines). Extensive drilling and exploration work by Gulf Canada Resources, included mine development studies at both one and three million tonnes of product coal per year levels. (see cautionary statement). Norwest Corporation of Calgary has prepared a Canadian National Instrument 43-101 Report for the Company based on a low strip ratio mine project initial resource base of 20 million tonnes of coal for first phase mine development. The initial Lossan coal production is targeted at up to 1 million tonnes of PCI and Coking Coal product annually based on this resource, with first coal production at the fast track rate of 250,000 tonnes of coal a year commencing in the first part of 2006.

Lodgepole is in the Crows Nest Coalfield in Southeastern British Columbia proximate to the Coal Mountain Mine of the Elk Valley Coal Partnership and the Canadian Pacific rail line serving Vancouver area ports on the Pacific west coast. Coal grades at Lodgepole are PCI and Coking Coal for use in steelmaking. Extensive work done by Shell Canada, and later Fording Coal, between 1975 and 1997 comprises a data base reporting an in place coal resource of 80 million tonnes. (see cautionary statement) A drilling and bulk sampling work program is now in progress and is designed to take the project through to feasibility this year. The coal production tonnage levels and timing will be determined from the work program results with a target of one to two million tonnes of annual PCI and coking coal production based on the resource.

Certain exploration results and coal resources referred to above are historical in nature and were compiled before National Instrument 43-101. Cline has not independently analyzed the results of the previous exploration therefore historical results should not be relied upon. Cline Mining believes these historical results provide an indication of the potential of the properties and are relevant to ongoing exploration.

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