



## **CLINE FILES NEW ELK COAL MINE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT REPORT**

**Toronto, Ontario, Canada, March 29, 2010 – Cline Mining Corporation (TSX: CMK) (“Cline” or “The Company”)** is pleased to announce that it has filed its report titled “Preliminary Assessment of the New Elk Mine Project” (the “**Report**”) on the Canadian System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (“**SEDAR**”), which can be accessed at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

The purpose of the Report is to provide a technical and economic assessment of Cline’s wholly owned New Elk Mine, based on currently available data. The New Elk Mine is a planned underground coal mining operation located approximately 24 miles west of Trinidad, Colorado, USA.

Cline contracted Agapito Associates, Inc. (“**AAI**”) to complete the Report. The authors of the preliminary assessment meet the “qualified person” requirements set out in National Instrument 43-101 (“**NI 43-101**”). AAI prepared a NI 43-101 Technical Report in support of the Preliminary Assessment, which was filed by Cline on SEDAR on March 16, 2010.

AAI’s preliminary assessment Report indicates; (1) operation of the New Elk Mine for at least 20 years should be technically feasible, (2) no fatal flaws were identified and (3) the New Elk Mine’s existing and usable infrastructure, apparent favorable geology, sizable resource estimate of metallurgical grade coal, proximity to public highway and coal transportation facilities and availability of historical exploration and mine operating data all contribute to the New Elk Mine’s potential for an abbreviated construction period, low initial capital cost and attractive economics compared to competitive projects.

**CLINE MINING CORPORATION**  
**Ken Bates, President and Chief Executive Officer**

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