

FORM 27

TRI ORIGIN EXPLORATION LTD.

MATERIAL CHANGE REPORT UNDER SECTION 75(2)
OF THE SECURITIES ACT (ONTARIO)

1. **Reporting Issuer**

Name and Address:

TRI ORIGIN EXPLORATION LTD.
227 Main Street N.,
Suite 203
Markham, Ontario
L3P 1Y6

2. **Date of Material Change**

January 3, 2001

3. **Publication of Material Change**

The press release attached as Schedule "A" was issued on January 3, 2001 via BCE Emergis-Toronto, Ontario

4. **Summary of Material Change**

For further information attached hereto as SCHEDULE "A" copy of the Press Release.

5. **Full Description of Material Change**

No information other than that provided in Item 4 above is presently available.

6. **Reliance on Section 75(3) of the Act**

Confidentiality in not requested.

7. **Omitted Information**

No information has been omitted in respect to the material change.

8. **Senior Officers**

The following senior officer of the Corporation may be contacted for additional information:

Robert Valliant, President
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9. **Statement of Senior Officer**

The foregoing accurately discloses the material changes referred to herein.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario, this 3rd day of January 2001.

TRI ORIGIN EXPLORATION LTD.

“Robert I. Valliant”

PER: _____
Robert I. Valliant, President



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
JANUARY 3, 2001

TRI ORIGIN COMPLETES PRIVATE PLACEMENT

Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. (TOE:TSE) announces that it has completed an offering of 1,000,000 flow-through common shares for gross proceeds of \$150,000. The financing was arranged with Dominion Canada Resources LP VI, a partnership managed by Tuscarora Capital Inc. As a result of this financing, Tri Origin's common shares outstanding have increased from 13,793,783 to 14,793,783.

The proceeds of the financing will be used to conduct further exploration at the Company's Ontario projects. The optioned Wawa project near Wawa, Ontario is first on Tri Origin's agenda as exploration work last year identified kimberlite, a rock type that has the potential to host diamonds. Tri Origin's exploration program will focus on the completion of magnetic and Induced Polarization geophysical surveying followed by diamond drilling to test anomalies interpreted to be associated with kimberlite pipes.

Tri Origin is also actively exploring its 100% owned, Woodlawn base metal project, New South Wales, Australia. Inmet Mining Corporation is funding the project and has the option to earn a 60% interest in the project by spending \$3.81 million (Australian) on a combination of both exploration expenditures and cash payments to Tri Origin's subsidiary Tri Origin Australia N.L. over 4 years.

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*Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. is publicly listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the trading symbol TOE.
Currently there are 14,793,783 common shares outstanding.*