

**FORM 51-102F3
MATERIAL CHANGE REPORT**

Item One – Name and Address of Company

Etruscan Resources Inc.
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48 Gerrish Street
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Item Two - Date of Material Change

July 26, 2004.

Item Three - News Release

The attached press release was issued in Windsor, Nova Scotia and Montreal, Quebec, on July 26th, 2004 via CCN Matthews.

Item Four - Summary of Material Change

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Item Five - Full Description of Material Change

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The first phase of pre-stripping of the main Samira pit has been completed and ore is now being mined. Seasonal pumping from the Sirba River to the main water supply dam is on-going and will continue for the next two months or until the dam, which has a capacity of 4.5 million cubic meters, is filled. Tailings dam construction is proceeding well and will be ready to accept tailings by early August. All plant steelwork and mechanical installations are complete and the final phase of the piping and electrical works are also nearly complete. The power plant has been installed and is undergoing its initial trials.

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Samira Hill will operate under the Nigerien company, Société des Mines du Liptako (SML) S.A. ("SML"). SML is a limited liability company governed by the laws of Niger and is owned 80% by African GeoMin Mining Development Corporation Limited ("AGMDC") and 20% by the State of Niger. AGMDC is in turn owned by Etruscan (50%) and Semafo (50%). Etruscan, Semafo and the State of Niger participate in the overall project management through their representation on a joint technical committee. GBM Minerals Engineering Consultants Limited of the United Kingdom is acting as owners' representative on all aspects of the project. Project management is being provided by Managem S.A., the mining division of Groupe ONA.

Item Six – Reliance on subsection 7.1(2) or (3) of National Instrument 51-102

Not Applicable.

Item Seven - Omitted Information

Not Applicable.

Item Eight - Executive Officer

Janice A. Stairs, Corporate Secretary, (902) 444-8413.

Item Nine – Date of Report

Executed this 30th day of July, 2004 at Halifax, Nova Scotia by Janice A. Stairs, Corporate Secretary.

JOINT NEWS RELEASE



MINE OPENING SET FOR SAMIRA HILL GOLD PROJECT – COMMISSIONING UNDERWAY

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The common shares of Etruscan are traded on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "EET".
The common shares of Semafo are traded on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "SMF".
More extensive information on Etruscan can be found on its home page at <http://www.etruscan.com>.
More extensive information on Semafo can be found on its home page at <http://www.semafo.com>.

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