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Attention	:	Manager, Companies
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From	:	John Hannaford
Date	:	17 December 2002
Subject	:	**DRILL RESULTS**

Dear Sir,

Please find attached announcement from the Directors of Westonia Mines Limited for immediate release to the market.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN A. HANNAFORD
Company Secretary

WESTONIA MINES LIMITED

17 December 2002

The Manager
Company Announcements Platform
Australian Stock Exchange Limited
Level 10, 20 Bond Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir / Madam

Westonia Mines Limited announces gold drill intersections of interest from its Westonia Project. The combined reverse circulation and diamond drilling program has been undertaking infill drilling and testing both along strike and below the pit which was designed for the Stage One Feasibility Study.

The better assays are tabulated below, and the extent of the program and the orientations of the holes are indicated on the accompanying plan.

Hole Number	Downhole Interval (m)	Drilled Thickness (m)	Gold Assay (g/t)
WRC 973	170 – 176	6	4.0
* WRC 974	212 – 220	8	8.8
** WRC 986	148 – 152	4	48.2
WRC 988	134 – 136	2	7.5
** WRC 991	44 – 54	10	8.2
	including		
	44 – 48	4	17.8
WRC 992	68 – 70	2	7.0
WRC 995	58 – 60	2	6.2
* WRC 996	58 – 72	14	2.1
WRC 997	180 – 186	6	4.9
WRC 998	128 – 130	2	13.8
WRC 998	216 - 218	2	16.9

* Provisional Assay
** Previously reported as a Provisional Assay

The Company has previously announced that the Stage One Study indicated the Project has positive economics at an AUD 575 per ounce gold price and that it expects to be producing gold at a rate of 70,000 ounces/year in about 12 months time.

The second and final stage of the Study is to bankable standard and will be completed by the end of the first quarter of 2003. RSG Global will be incorporating all of the new drill results into a new estimation of Project gold resources and into an optimized pit design and estimation of mineable reserves therein as part of the Study.

Any of the new mineralized intersections which lie beyond that pit design will be assessed from the viewpoint of eventual access from the established decline, which has a current depth of 260m.

Enquiries should be directed to the undersigned and readers are encouraged to register on the Company's website (www.westoniamines.com.au) for automatic receipt of information.

Released for and on behalf of
Westonia Mines Limited

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Andrew Drummond
Managing Director

Competent Person Declaration

The information on mineralization in this report accurately reflects information prepared by competent persons (as defined by the Australasian Code of Reporting of Identified Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves). It is compiled by A.J. Drummond, an employee of the Company who is a Fellow of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy with more than five years experience in the field of activity in which he is reporting.

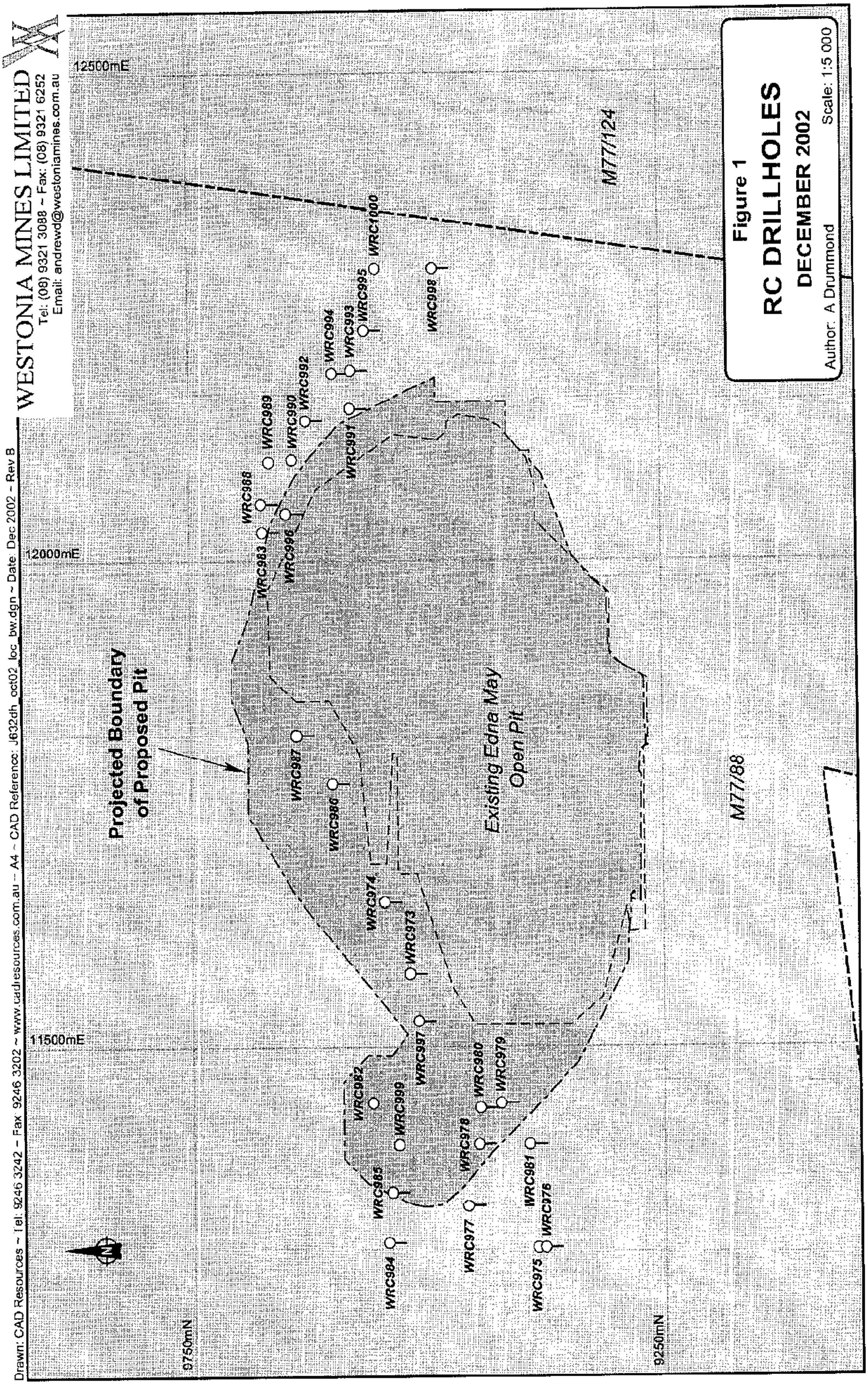
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Figure 1
RC DRILLHOLES
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Scale: 1:5 000
12500mE
12000mE
11500mE
9750mN
9250mN
M77/124
M77/88
Projected Boundary of Proposed Pit
Existing Edna May Open Pit
WRC1000
WRC998
WRC995
WRC993
WRC994
WRC992
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WRC996
WRC983
WRC987
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