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Dear Sir

Address to Members by Jerome G Vitale, at General Meeting 14 May 2004

Please find attached statement to be made by Mr Vitale at General Meeting to be held today, commencing at 10.00am.

Yours faithfully

Martin Bennett
Chairman

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Junior exploration companies generally make money for shareholders by grooming themselves for marriage. The price paid to the family generally depends on the quality of the dowry you bring with you. At this stage of the Company's proceedings, Bill Hayden's proverbial "drover's dog" could lead the company down the aisle, probably with its eyes closed.

Burdekin Pacific has a quality dowry, it's called the Mt Kasi gold project. We have an established gold resource and one that is very likely to grow substantially as a result of the current round of drilling.

Today as we pause to consider the company's future, we have two drill rigs at site advancing at the accelerated rate of 100 metres a day. We have an orebody whose strike length has been extended by at least 200 metres to the south with the first dozen or so holes completed in recent weeks and we have just completed a diamond hole 900 metres to the north of the main pit area, with results pending. We have also commenced a dialogue with prospective project financiers who have expressed an interest in the project and technical consultants who can assist with the completion of our feasibility study.

During the course of the last two years the Company has been making its way back from the abyss in which we found ourselves following the demise of the technology sector in which we invested heavily in the year 2000. Along the way mistakes have been made, no doubt, and with the benefit of hindsight some things could have been done differently. The reality is however, that we *are* here today as a company to review our progress, make adjustments where required and move forward. That's more than many who were around when the gold price collapsed in the late nineties and those who participated in the boom and bust of the "dotcom" era can say.

Many on the register today have only recently become shareholders, and this at a time when the present Board line up has been in place and the Company's strategy in relation to Mt Kasi articulated more fully. To those members who have through their proxy or presence here today expressed their support for myself continuing in my role with the Company, I express my sincere thanks. For those members who support the resolution to dispense with my services, I respect your democratic right to do so.

Finally, whatever the outcome of today's meeting, I would like to publicly express my thanks to my family, in particular my wife who has supported me through thick and thin during this journey; my company colleagues, in particular Susan Field, a finer and more professional person you will never meet and Craig Rugless, who has been around for long enough for me to say that I very much regret his change of heart in the last few days and the withdrawal of his support.

I believe the Company is now in a position where, albeit not without some challenges, it will be successful and ultimately re-rated by the market based on fundamentals, whoever runs it. I am proud to say I believe I have made a significant contribution to laying a foundation for this to occur in the time ahead.

Jerome G Vitale
Director
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