

# Irving Resources Updates Omu Exploration; Appoints Project Manager

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VANCOUVER, Aug. 15, 2019 - [Irving Resources Inc.](#) (CSE:IRV) ("Irving" or the "Company") is pleased to provide an update on exploration activities at its 100% controlled Omu Gold Project, Hokkaido, Japan and welcomes Dr. Takeshi Uemoto as its new Omu Project Manager.

Appointment of Dr. Takeshi Uemoto:

Dr. Uemoto holds a B.Sc. and M.Sc. from Hiroshima University and a Ph.D. from the University of Western Australia. Prior to joining Irving, Dr. Uemoto worked as senior exploration geologist for Gold Fields Australasia at its St. Ives and Agnew gold mines, Western Australia. Prior to that, he served as senior geologist for Mitsubishi Materials Corporation exploring for geothermal resources in Japan.

"We are delighted to have Dr. Takeshi Uemoto join Irving as Omu Project Manager," commented Akiko Levinson, President and Director of Irving Resources. "Dr. Uemoto, having extensive exploration experience with Gold Fields Australasia, is exceptionally well-qualified to oversee exploration activities at Omu. We look forward to his guidance as we move this exciting project forward."

Omu Sinter Drilling:

- Irving recently completed hole 19OMS-008, the southern-most hole of its initial eight-hole, phase one diamond drill program at Omu Sinter. These first eight holes, collectively totaling approximately 3,388.5 m, test approximately one kilometer of strike from north to south along the very large zone of alteration and mineralization underlying the Omu Sinter terrace (*Figures 1 and 2*).
- All eight drill holes have intersected long intervals of highly altered volcanic and sedimentary rocks. Notable vein intervals have been intersected in all holes.
- Sawing of all core has recently been completed. Several batches of samples are currently being dispatched to or are currently in transit from Omu to ALS Global Laboratory, Brisbane, Australia, and several additional batches are currently undergoing analysis. At present, approximately 40% of core has been assayed.
- As discussed in the Company's news release dated June 13, 2019, current drilling is believed to be testing a high level within the hot spring system at Omu Sinter. Nevertheless, high-grade mineralization has already been encountered (*48.96 gpt Au and 945.4 gpt Ag between 184.93-185.72 m in hole 19OMS-002 discussed in the Company's news release dated May 6, 2019*). Although a majority of phase one core has yet to be assayed, recent notable intervals include 12.92 gpt Au and 44.1 gpt Ag between 308.27-310.3 m in hole 19OMS-005 (*Figure 3*), 3.65 gpt Au and 27.5 gpt Ag between 356.1-357.4 m in hole 19OMS-003, and 2.34 gpt Au and 34.5 gpt Ag between 311.3-311.7 m in hole 19OMS-004. (The foregoing are not necessarily indicative or representative of mineralization hosted at Omu Sinter.)
- Geophysical surveys designed to help elucidate subsurface geology have been completed at Omu Sinter. These include a twelve-line controlled source audio-magnetotellurics ("CSAMT") and audio-magnetotellurics ("AMT") survey to look for structures and silicified rocks and a detailed gravity survey to help identify significant cross structures that might host vein mineralization but were not necessarily tested by phase one drill holes. Interpretation of this data is expected to be complete by late August at which time it will be presented to the public along with future drill targets to be tested.
- Additional core drilling supplies, including large-diameter PQ drill pipe, is currently en route to Japan. The Company believes PQ drilling will enable deeper targets to be adequately tested and also enable better core recovery from future shallow drill targets including those at Omui mine site. Drilling is planned to resume in September once equipment is on site.

Omui Mine Site Exploration Program:

- Exploration trenching recently commenced at Omui mine site. Prior to the onset of recent heavy rains, three north-south oriented trenches totaling approximately 200 m length were dug across the Honpi target area. The weathering profile has proved to be thicker than anticipated being over three meters deep in places (*Figure 4*). This has made gaining exposure of bedrock challenging in certain areas. Mapping and sampling of the initial three trenches is complete.
- Several *in situ* veins, all generally trending east-west, have been encountered including an approximately 1.5 m wide extension of the N. Honpi vein (*Figure 5*) situated a few meters north of the historic Honpi high-grade vein mine and approximately eight vein and/or vein breccia zones in areas south of Honpi mine. In some places, very large dislodged pieces of vein have been encountered (*Figure 6*). It is believed these originate from a proximal, yet slightly deeper source.
- Once rains have ceased, trenching activities will resume at Omui. Trenching is planned at the Nanko target where historic trenching uncovered at least four high-grade veins. Lateral trenches are planned along several significant veins to access material for bulk sampling. Trenching and bulk sampling activities are expected to continue at Omui over the remainder of the field season which usually lasts until November.
- A ten-line CSAMT survey is currently being undertaken at Omui mine site to help identify structural zones that might host high-grade veins as well as areas of silicification associated with hydrothermal activity. This survey is expected to be complete by month end at which point data will be processed and interpreted to help generate drill targets.
- Irving plans to undertake a phase one drill program at Omui, testing several near surface high-grade vein targets later this year.

#### Hokuryu and Maruyama Exploration Work:

- Mapping, prospecting and soil sampling are soon commencing around the historic Hokuryu high-grade vein mine and nearby extensive Maruyama sinter terrace discovered in late 2018. Work will focus on defining initial drill targets and is planned to continue till the end of the field season.
- A multi-line CSAMT survey is scheduled to be undertaken at Hokuryu before the end of the current field season.
- Irving is currently targeting phase one drilling at Hokuryu and Maruyama in mid 2020.

All samples discussed in this news release are ½ split sawn diamond core samples. Irving submitted rock samples to ALS Global Laboratory, Brisbane, Australia, for analysis. Au and Ag were analyzed by fire assay with MS finish. Overlimit samples were assayed by fire assay with gravimetric finish. Multielements were analyzed by MS following three acid digestion. Irving staff and personnel from Mitsui Mineral Development Engineering Co, Ltd (&ldquo;MINDECO&rdquo;) are responsible for geologic logging and sampling of core.

Quinton Hennigh (Ph.D., P.Geo.) is the qualified person pursuant to National Instrument 43-101 responsible for, and having reviewed and approved, the technical information contained in this news release. Dr. Hennigh is a technical advisor and director of [Irving Resources Inc.](#)

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Additional information can be found on the Company's website: [www.IRVresources.com](http://www.IRVresources.com).

Akiko Levinson,  
President, CEO & Director

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