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FUNDS SECURED FOR DRAKE'S 2011 DRILL PROGRAMME

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Placement completed raising \$2.18 million**
- **Hong Kong institutions, joined Australian institutions and high net worth individuals in placement**
- **Well funded to pursue strategy**
- **Aggressive drill programme planned for both Sweden and Mauritania in this current drill season**

Drake Resources (ASX Code DRK, "Drake") today announced a placement of \$2.18 million, at \$0.28 per share under the existing capacity.

A number of institutions, both local and international, as well as high net worth individuals took part in the placement, highlighting the increasing interest in the company. The ongoing strong support for the company's strategy is demonstrated by the broad investment base and benefits all shareholders.

Drake's Managing Director, Dr Bob Beeson said: "The money raised together with our current funds will allow us to execute our drill programmes in the world class Bergslagen copper-zinc district in Sweden and, importantly, explore our expanded land position in Mauritania, West Africa.

"In October, we announced our expanded ground position in Mauritania. These new permits are in the same district as the giant 12 million ounce Tasiast gold mine. Our plans for the current season are to explore this highly prospective area with a programme that includes geophysics and geochemical work and extensive drilling."

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