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**Straits Resources Limited Announces
New Massive Sulphide Discovery at the Avoca Tank Prospect
First Drill Hole TATD001 has Returned Excellent Copper Grade and Thickness**

Straits Resources Limited is pleased to announce that exploration drilling has intersected significant copper mineralisation while testing coincidental magnetic / IP anomalies at the Avoca Tank prospect. Avoca Tank is located approximately 2km north of the Girilambone North mining area and has previously been drilled with shallow RC holes searching for copper oxide mineralisation in the 1990's. Historically a small oxide resource was identified but the sulphide potential had never been evaluated.

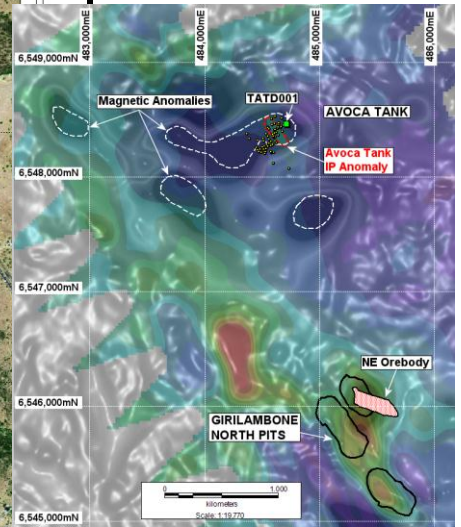
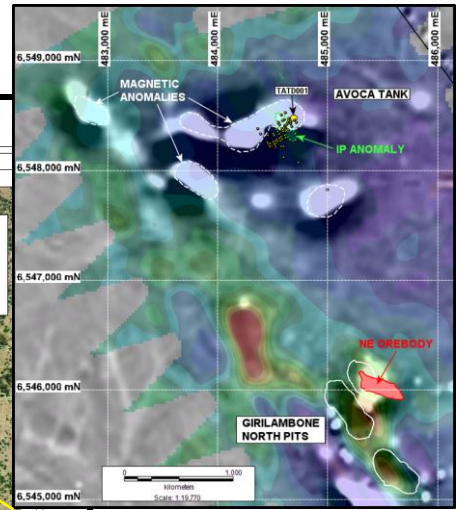
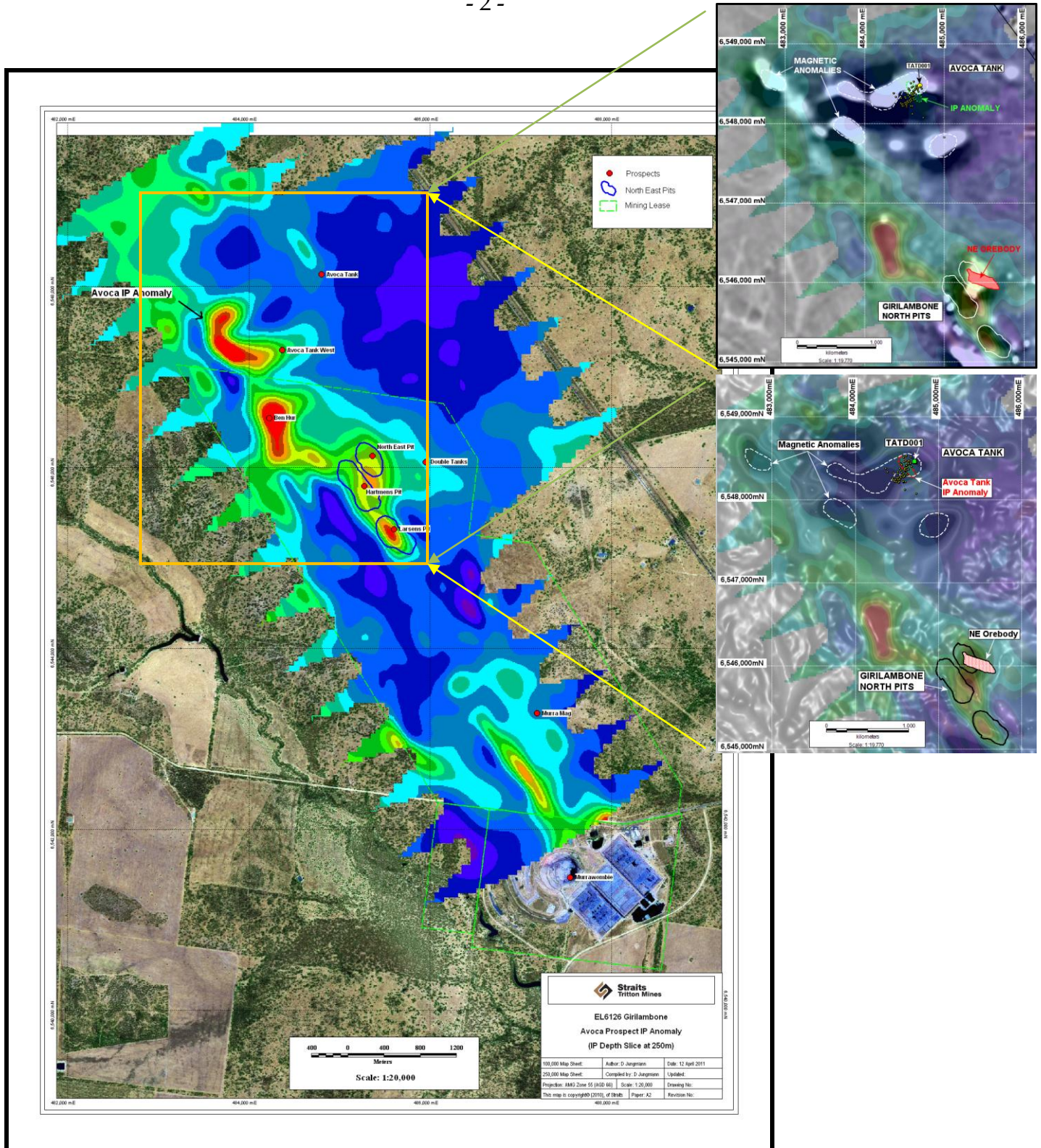
Diamond hole (TATD001) has intersected two discrete massive sulphide lenses as follows;

Hole Id	East AMG	North AMG	Dip	Azi(mag)	From (m)	Width (m)	Cu %	Zn %	Au g/t	Ag g/t
TATD001	484667	6548513	-60	240	155	12	1.78	0.15	0.69	12.2
					193	23	4.26	1.00	0.76	18.2

Note: (0.5% Cut-off grade, max 3m internal dilution) Datum AGD66

The mineralisation is associated with a 50 metre thick hanging wall zone of magnetite / chlorite alteration and a footwall mafic volcanic unit. The VMS (volcanic massive sulphide) "Besshi style" mineralisation is analogous to the Tritton orebody and is untested to the south and down dip. A diamond drill program is currently in progress to scope out the dimensions of the mineralisation.

The drilling of the Avoca Tank prospect represents the first significant mineralised system identified since regional exploration activities recently recommenced at the Tritton Operations. The quality of remaining targets is considerable and the regions prospectivity is highlighted by what appears to be a substantial new sulphide discovery intercepted with the second hole of the programme. The knowledge gained from the drilling of the deeper portions of the Tritton system along with the re-interpretation of mineralisation, alteration and geological settings has increased our understanding of these mineralised systems. Consequently the potential for further discoveries in this large VMS mineralised field is substantial.



Above diagram showing IP Chargeability overlaying airphoto showing the Murrumbidgee to NE trend. The diagram shows the first 2 target areas that have been drilled i) Avoca and ii) Avoca Tank. The two inset diagrams show IP images and magnetic data with two different processing techniques.

The following Drill Core photographs are from TATD001, the photos start at 192.35 metres and the series ends at 209.37 metres down hole. Intercept from 193 metres, **22mtrs @ 4.26% copper, 0.76g/t gold & 18g/t silver**. The True width and extent of mineralisation will be determined with further drilling. A drill rig has been dedicated to this programme.





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