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## Phoenix Platinum Zone Drilling Update



*Night shift drilling – the Star of Venus (Ishtar) is visible low on the horizon*

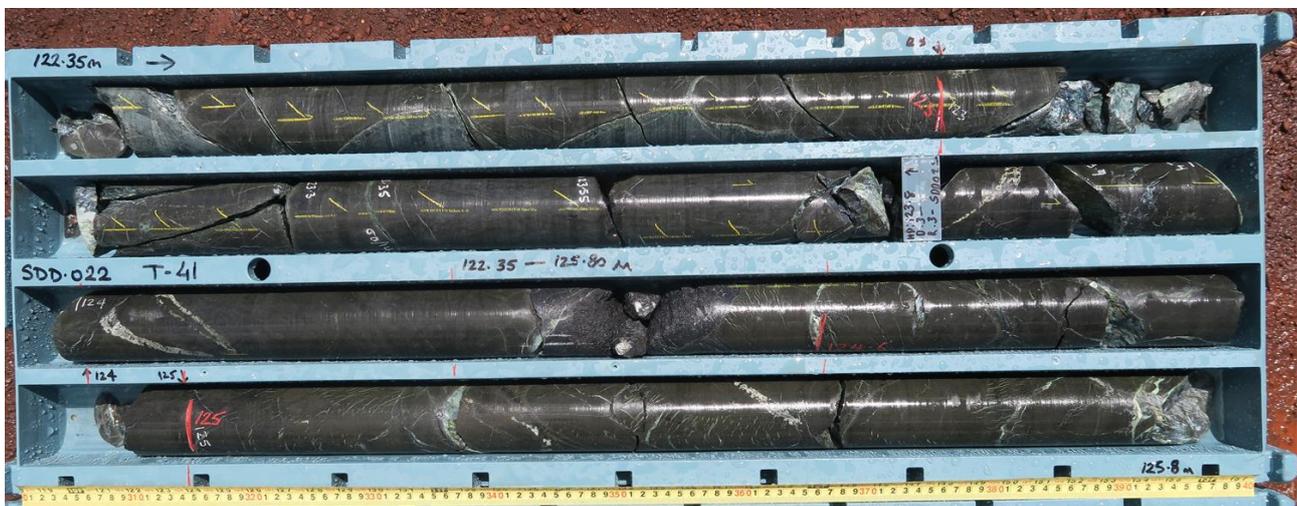
### Highlights:

- **First hole of planned six-hole diamond core drill program completed. The program is aiming to intersect the dunite structures at depth (targeting 400-600m below surface) which are proposed to be the source of the platinum in the Sunrise laterite**
- **This initial hole (SDD022) was targeting the area approximately 120m below surface which was identified in historic drilling undertaken by Ivanplats (SRC1257 returned 4m (from 119m) @ 7.4g/t Pt, 0.13% Ni and 0.01% Co, for 29.4 g.m Pt)<sup>1</sup>**
- **SDD022 successfully intersected that target area, with visible indications of chromite veining, and hand-held X-ray fluorescence spectroscopy ('XRF') analysis also indicating elevated levels of Cr, Fe and Mg in veins**
- **Chromite veining is typically found coincident with platinum group elements ('PGEs') in Alaskan style dunite pipe systems. Chromite veins were also reported by Ivanplats in the target area of SRC1257**
- **Assays results from first three holes expected in January 2021**

<sup>1</sup> Drilling undertaken by previous owner Ivanplats in 2005/06 with assays undertaken by ALS in Orange, NSW. Data is as per the drilling data records provided by Ivanplats to the Company. This historical data is relevant and material in the context of the deeper drilling program detailed herein. Although the Company is confident the drill data is accurate, the information is based on historic drilling and records and therefore does not conform to JORC 2012 standards.

MELBOURNE, Australia – Co-Chairman, Robert Friedland, and Managing Director and CEO, Sam Riggall, of Clean TeQ Holdings Limited ('Clean TeQ' or 'Company') (ASX:CLQ; OTCQX:CTEQF) provide the following update on the Company's platinum development activities at the Company's wholly owned Sunrise Project in NSW, Australia.

The Sunrise laterite hosts a significant platinum resource<sup>2</sup> of 103.1 Mt @ 0.33 g/t Pt for 1,076,170 ounces of platinum, using a 0.15 g/t Pt cut-off grade, making it one of the largest platinum resources in Australia. Of this total resource, approximately 90% (metal content) is in the measured and indicated categories. While the average grade over the global resource is relatively low, areas of significantly higher-grade platinum mineralisation exist within the resource envelope.



*Drill core from SDD022 – indicating chromite veining at 124.5m depth (middle section of third core from top)*

An area of high-grade platinum mineralisation has been defined within the Sunrise laterite resource, forming a newly-classified Phoenix Platinum Zone. Despite extensive drilling over previous decades, only a handful of holes have been drilled beneath the Sunrise laterite. Of these, significant historic downhole intersections include<sup>3</sup>:

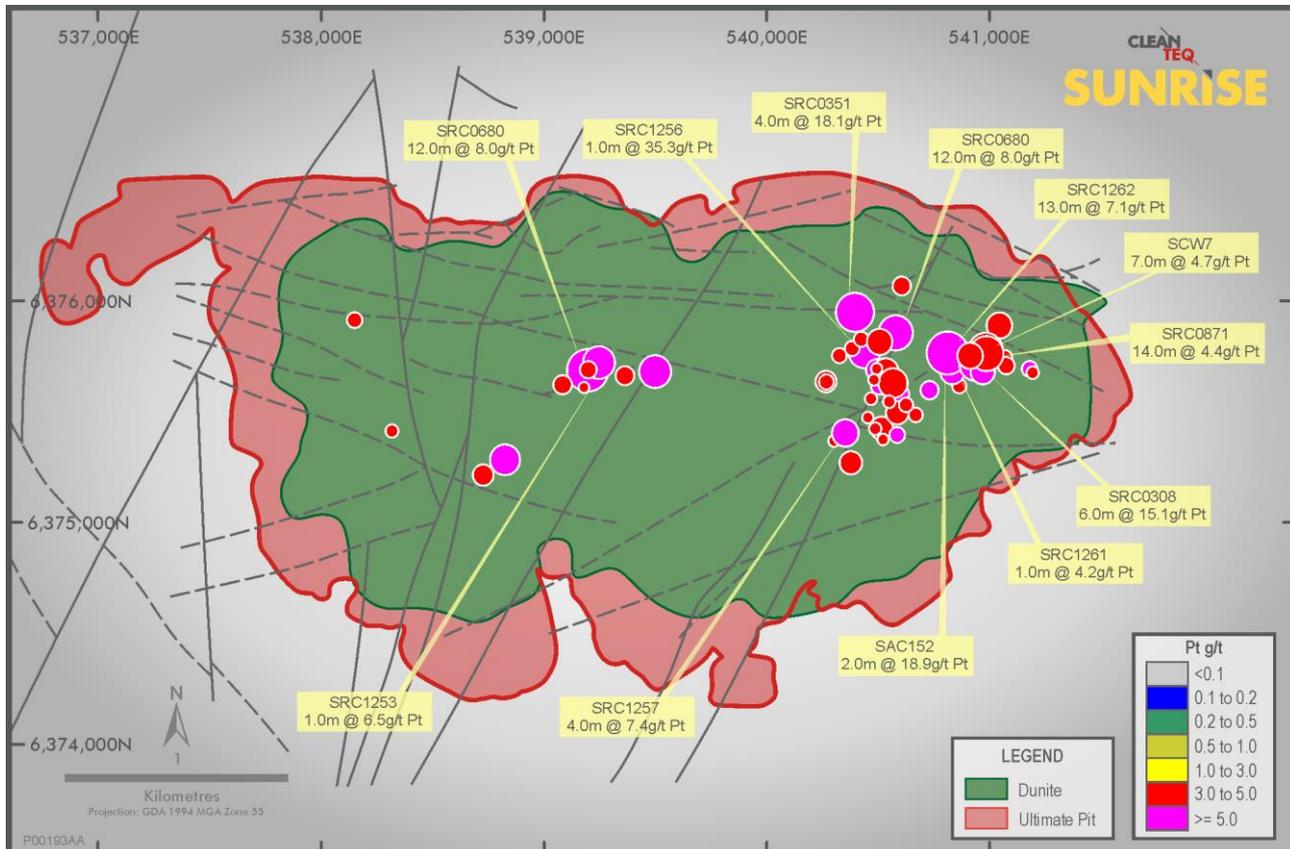
- 4m (from 119m) @ 7.4g/t Pt, 0.13% Ni and 0.01% Co, for 29.4 g.m Pt (SRC1257)
- 1m (from 127m) @ 6.5g/t Pt, 0.15% Ni and 0.01% Co, for 6.5 g.m Pt (SRC1253)

<sup>2</sup> For full details see the ASX announcement dated 9 October 2017

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- 1m (from 23m) @ 4.2g/t Pt, 0.15% Ni and 0.01% Co, for 4.2 g.m Pt (SRC1261)

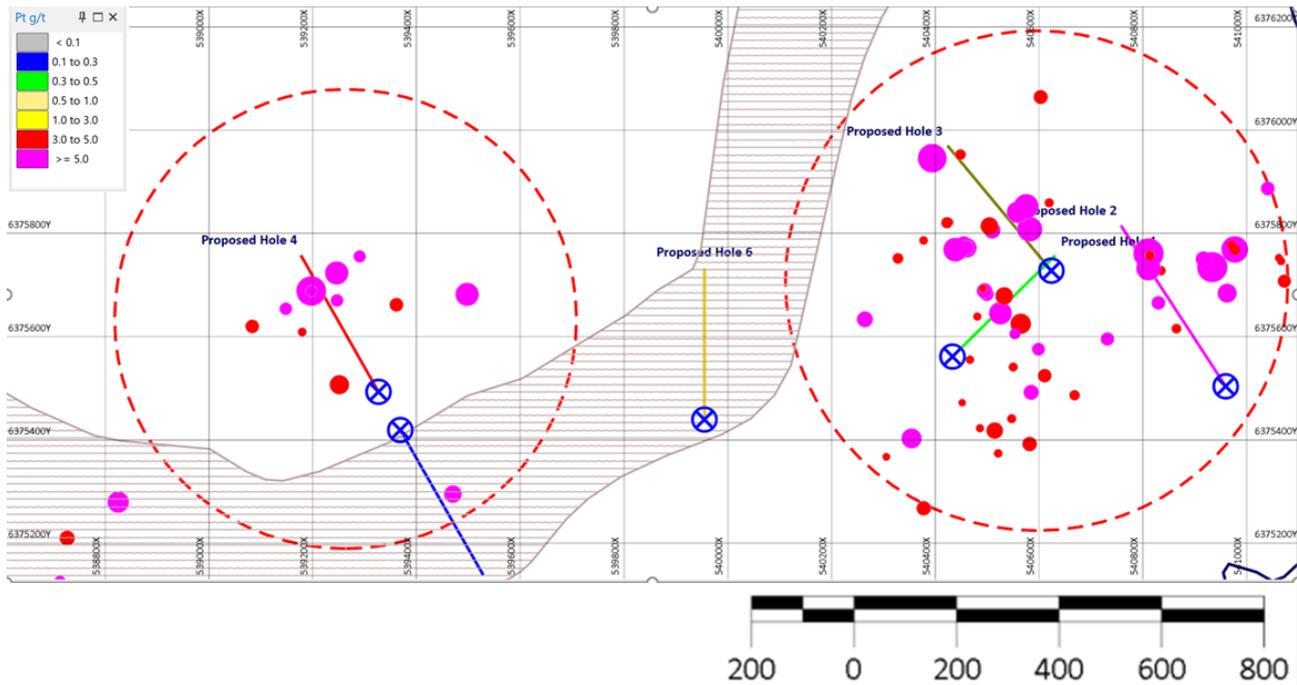
All holes were drilled using reverse circulation rigs and no assays were undertaken for other PGEs in these drill samples.



**Plan view of historic drill hole locations with significant Pt intersections within the Phoenix Platinum Zone**

Given the high platinum grades near surface and historic intercepts beneath the laterite, a program of work is underway to test the structural geology of the Tout Intrusive Complex with the aim of establishing a PGE resource that will either integrate with the development of the Sunrise Nickel-Cobalt-Scandium Project, or be developed as a stand-alone operation.

In the late 19th century Fifield was the world's largest source of platinum and the site of the only primary platinum mine in Australia. In more recent years, small scale platinum mining took place in alluvial leads and gravels. Within the Fifield Platinum Province approximately 20,000 oz of platinum, with accessory gold, has been mined from three buried channels radiating out from the Fifield township. A number of studies over previous decades have proposed that the alluvial leads within the Fifield area may have originated from the platinum within the Tout Intrusive Complex.



*Drill hole locations to test the geological interpretation of the dunite pipe structures*

The Fifield Platinum Province contains mineralisation that appears analogous to Alaskan-type ultramafic systems, often hosting extensive PGE mineralization, including platinum (Pt), palladium (Pd), iridium (Ir), osmium (Os), rhodium (Rh) and ruthenium (Ru). These include deposits located at Nizhny-Tagil in Russia and Onverwacht in South Africa. South Africa, Russia and Zimbabwe currently account for 85 per cent of global PGE production.

As indicated in the drilling results above, exploration programs undertaken by Black Range Minerals and Ivanplats in the 1990s and 2000s intersected encouraging platinum mineralisation under the laterite. However, the handful of deep holes only reached a maximum depth of 140m from surface, with almost no assays undertaken for PGEs other than platinum. Geophysical work on the system needs geochemical calibration, to better understand the underlying rock types and structures that generated the mineralisation at surface.

To address these gaps in knowledge, Clean TeQ commenced a review of existing geophysical data covering the project. As a result of this work, several targets were identified for further investigation. These targets suggest good alignment between the two major NE-NW structural orientations of the platinum mineralisation and interpretations of the potential structures. The two structures underlying the areas of high-grade mineralisation have an interpreted diameter of approximately 800m and are separated by the paleochannel. Part of the current work program is to test whether

these are in fact discrete systems, or whether the paleochannel represents a deeper fault structure dividing one larger system.

Work to better define the Phoenix Platinum Zone includes a six-hole diamond core drill program which is currently underway and expected to run for another 3 months. The program is aiming to intersect the dunite structures at depth (targeting 400-600m below surface).

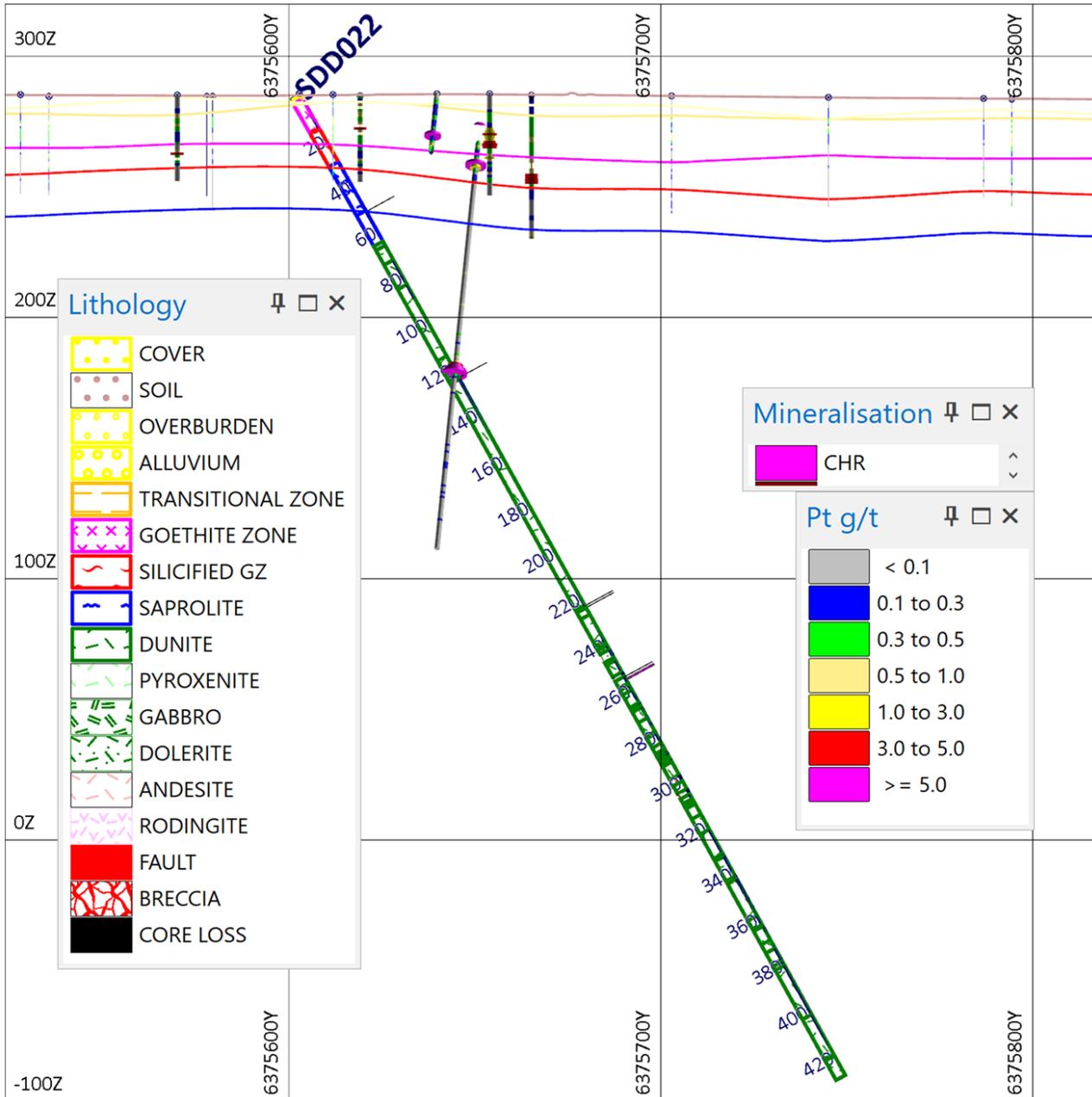
High rainfall in late October and early November caused some delays to the drilling program, however, good progress continues to be made. The drill rig on site has now completed drilling of the first hole. Drilling of hole number two is currently underway.

This initial hole (SDD022) targeted an area approximately 120m below surface which was identified in historic drilling undertaken by Ivanplats (SRC1257 returned 4m (from 119m) @ 7.4g/t Pt, 0.13% Ni and 0.01% Co, for 29.4 g.m Pt). SDD022 successfully intersected that target area, with visible indications of chromite veining, and XRF analysis also indicating elevated levels of Cr, Fe and Mg in veins.

Chromite veining is typically found coincident with platinum group elements ('PGEs') in Alaskan style dunite pipe systems. Chromite veins were also reported in the target area of the Ivanplats drilling.

Once additional holes are completed, a batch of diamond drill core will be sent to Orange for sample preparation before initial assaying of major elements and platinum. Subject to assay results, samples may then be sent to either Western Australia or South Africa for assaying of a full suite of PGEs.

A significant amount of exploration activity currently underway across Australia has resulted in significant delays to laboratory assay turnaround times. As such, initial assay results from the first batch of holes is not expected until January 2021.



**The initial diamond drill hole (SDD022) has intersected the targeted area around 120m below surface which was identified in historic drilling undertaken by Ivanplats (SRC1257)**

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**About the Clean TeQ Sunrise Project** – Clean TeQ is the 100% owner of the Clean TeQ Sunrise Project, located in New South Wales. Clean TeQ Sunrise is one of the largest cobalt deposits outside of Africa, and one of the largest and highest-grade accumulations of scandium ever discovered.

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## COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT

The information in this report that relates to exploration results is based on information compiled by Mr John Winterbottom, a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Winterbottom is a full-time employee of Clean TeQ Sunrise Pty Ltd. Mr Winterbottom is a fulltime employee of Clean TeQ and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit and to the activity which they are undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves".

Mr Winterbottom consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

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