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Metalline Mining Company announces the signing of a contract to supply high-grade zinc to the fertilizer industry.

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho - Metalline Mining Company (MMGG) has signed an exclusive contract to supply zinc carbonate ore to Fireborn, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia, a supplier of mineral supplement to the fertilizer industry. Metalline has already mined and shipped 2,500 tons of the material called for in the contract. The contract calls for an initial annual production of 10,000 tons with planned increases to 30,000 tons. Ore from Metalline's San Salvador mine is ideally suited for agriculture because it is high in soluble zinc and low in such undesirable elements such as lead and cadmium.

Vice president, Dan Gorski, reports " the company is leveraging use of its existing facilities to generate profits that will be used to advance its current development program, the goal of which is to complete a bank feasible plan to establish a world class mine and hydrometallurgical processing operation". An important collateral benefit of this operation is that it will retain local miners who will be needed for future large-scale production by providing interim employment and training. Maintaining strong local support is an important intangible asset for an operator in Mexico.

Metalline's primary goal continues to be completing the work required to turn the 76,000,000 tonne volume of oxide zinc mineralization indicated by 4594 channel samples and 24 drill holes into a bank feasible reserve. Oxide zinc ore can be processed using low cost hydrometallurgical solvent extraction electrowinning techniques.