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AMEX EXPLORATION
(TSXV-AMX) C\$1.61

RATING: BUY
(unchanged)

TARGET: C\$3.25
(unchanged)

Gratien Follow-up Doesn't Disappoint

EVENT: Amex Exploration (TSXV-AMX) delivered new assays from drilling at the Gratien Zone on the Company's 100%-owned Perron project in Quebec.

IMPACT: Positive. These new holes build on an exciting high-grade discovery at Gratien and include the best metal factor intercepts to date at Perron outside the HGZ. Furthermore, the continued step-out and near surface expansion of the Gratien Gold Zone adds future optionality and upside for a potential operating scenario at Perron and inclusion into a future updated mineral resource. Amex is now drilling this area with three drill rigs for further evaluation of the rapidly growing discovery.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- ▶ **Gratien Gold Zone:** Two new holes provided today build on the recent discovery in the western end of the Gratien deposit. Mineralization is hosted within centimetric wide quartz-carbonate veins within the Normetal South Block and opens up this stratigraphy (mafic volcanics & iron formation) for further discoveries ([Exhibit 1](#)). To date, high-grade intercepts have been near surface, shallow plunging and presents an opportunity to quickly add ounces ([Exhibit 2](#)).
- ▶ **Highlights:** Today's batch of assays consist of two holes with an abundance of visible gold and contain the best intercept to date from the Gratien Gold Zone. Highlight intervals provided today include:
 - 3.5 m grading 76.69 g/t Au incl. 0.6 m grading 431.72 g/t Au (130 m vertical); and
 - 7.3 m grading 8.16 g/t Au incl. 0.5 m grading 98.17 g/t Au (160 m vertical).
- ▶ **Outlook:** The new high-grade and near surface discovery continues to build momentum for Amex where they are now aggressively drilling with three rigs. The near surface intercepts to date suggest a large new area for rapid expansion and remains open in all directions with >1 km in strike length. Unfortunately, this new area will not be included into the upcoming maiden resource estimate which is anticipated for delivery in Q2/24 where we continue to target ~4M oz AuEq across several key deposits drilled at Perron in the past few years. Following completion of its recent strategic investment by Eldorado Gold, Amex is well-funded with ~C \$35M for further exploration and evaluation work.
- ▶ **Valuation:** At present, Amex is trading at a P/NAV multiple of 0.25x and below the peer group average of 0.28x for other gold explorers under coverage. We highlight that this new discovery is not yet captured within our valuation or potential operating scenario and is considered NAV accretive.

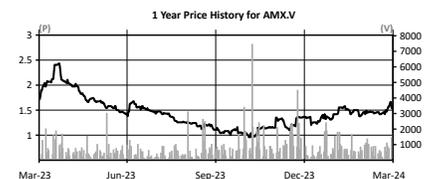
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Company Statistics

Risk:	SPECULATIVE
52-week High/Low:	C\$2.46 / C\$0.98
Pricing Date:	Mar 27 2024
Shares Out. (basic):	114.6M
Shares Out. (fd):	117.3M
Market Cap:	C\$162M
Return:	101.9%
Cash:	C\$39.9M
Working Capital:	C\$35M
Long Term Debt:	C\$0M
Enterprise Value:	C\$136M

Valuation Summary

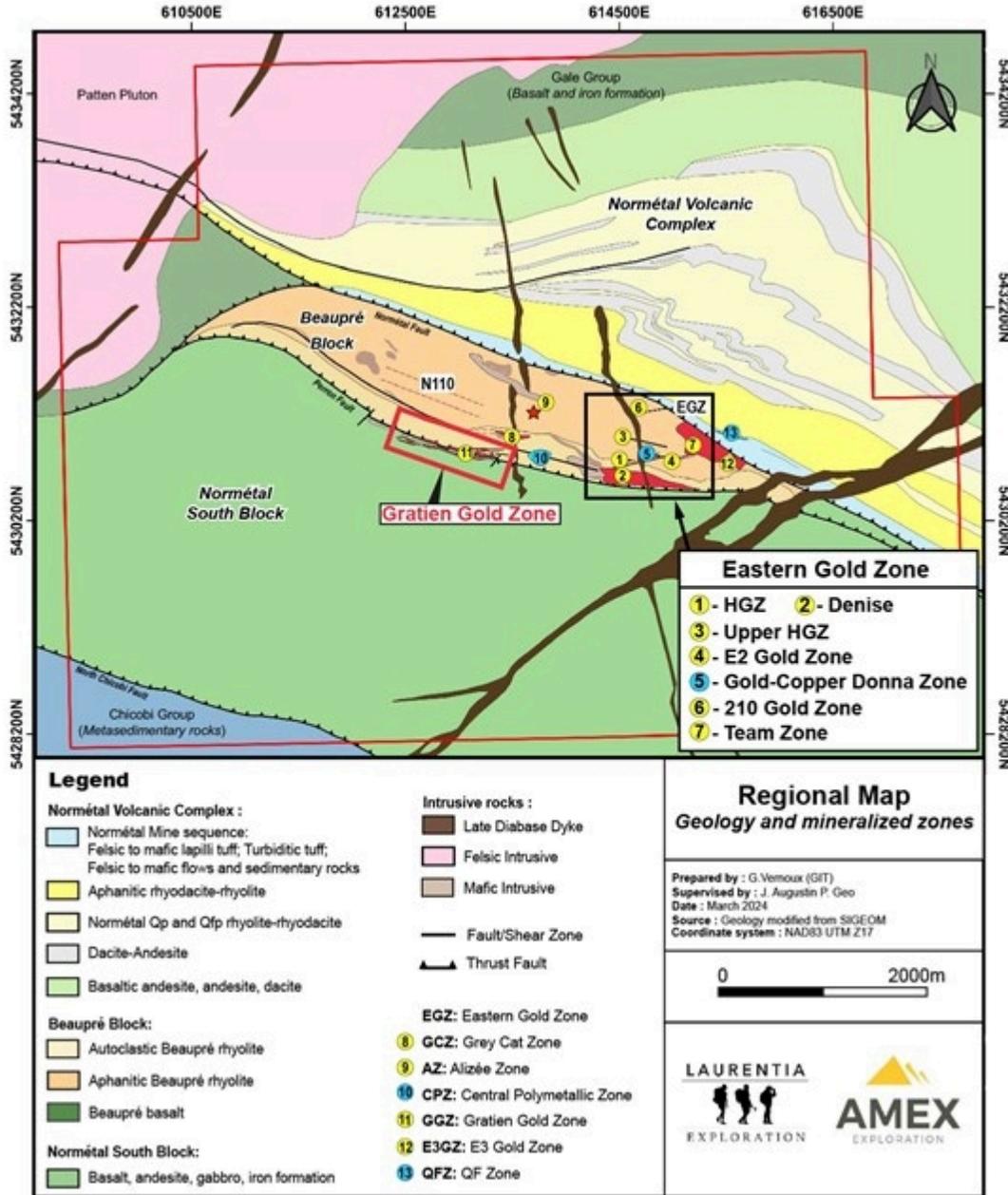
Our target is generated on a 50/50 weighting of: a) applied EV/oz multiples on our in-situ resource estimate and b) a DCF7% analysis on our estimated future operating scenario for Perron (US\$2,000/oz) and a 0.6x target multiple.



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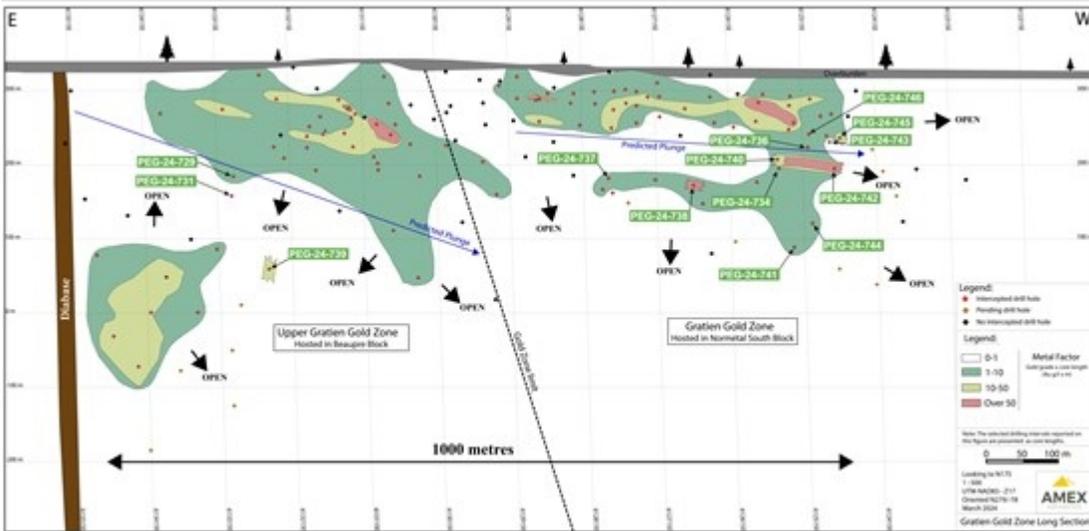
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Exhibit 1 - Regional Map of Perron



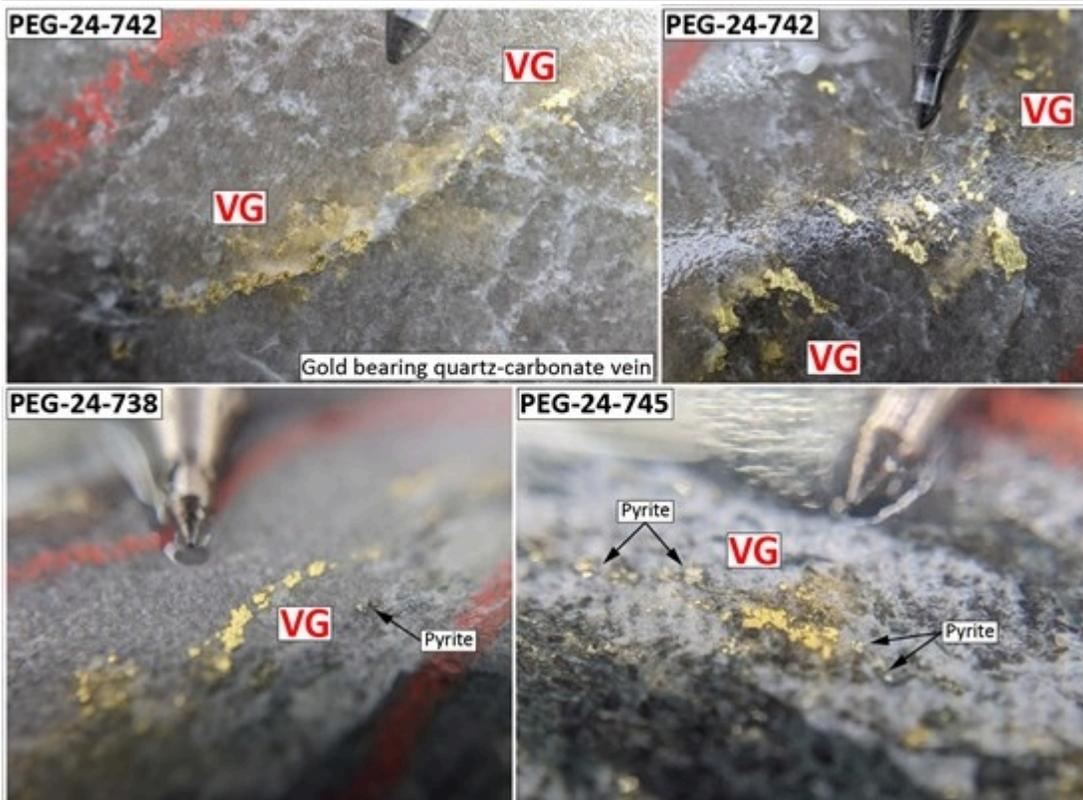
Source: Company reports

Exhibit 2 - Grade x Thickness Long Section of Gratien Gold Zone



Source: Company reports

Exhibit 3 - Core Pictures of New Intercepts Including Abundance of Visible Gold



Source: Company reports

Disclosure Fact Sheet

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Company	Disclosure
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