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DIAMOND DRILLING COMMENCES AT KELE PROJECT

XDM Resources Inc. (“XDM” or the “Company”) is very pleased to announce that it has commenced drilling at its Kele Project using two diamond drill rigs.

A total of 7,500 metres of diamond drilling is planned this year on the gold and copper-gold targets within the Kele Project, which is under joint venture with AngloGold Ashanti. Trenching, soil sampling and geophysical surveys will also be carried out throughout the year, concentrating on the numerous gold intrusive and epithermal targets, and the ‘buried or blind’ copper-gold porphyry style targets in the adjoining mineralised system.

During July, the man-portable drill rig is to be relocated to the Mase Project to commence a 2,500 metre diamond drilling programme on the high priority gold targets. Throughout 2010, trenching, soil sampling and geophysical surveys will also be performed to both fine tune initial drill targeting and to explore several highly potential gold zones already identified by field sampling.

The contract drilling company, UPD Solomons Limited (“UPD”) a division of Quest Exploration Drilling, won the international tender to complete an initial 5,800 metres of drilling for the company, and is set to achieve record metres in the country engaging seasoned drilling professionals and both track-mounted and man-portable drilling equipment.

ABOUT XDM

XDM is a private Canadian company with a 100% interest in four large copper-gold and gold exploration properties in the Western Province of the Solomon Islands.

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All scientific and technical information contained in this news release has been prepared under the supervision of Anthony Schreck, the Company's Chief Geoscientist and Qualified Person. Anthony Schreck has verified the technical data disclosed for accuracy and correctness. Potential quantity and grade is conceptual in nature. There has been insufficient exploration to define a mineral resource on any of the Company's properties and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in any such target being delineated as a mineral resource. QA/QC procedures were applied during the execution of the work being reported upon.