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## **DIAMOND DRILLING RIG ARRIVES AT KELE PROJECT**

XDM Resources Inc. (“XDM” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that its contract diamond drilling rig arrived at the Kele Project site in the Solomon Islands on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 2008.

The first phase of drilling on the Kele Project consists of 3,000 metres of diamond drilling which will be concentrated on the gold and copper-gold targets within the Project. The primary objective is to conduct first pass delineation drilling on the gold intrusive style targets with the secondary objective being to test ‘buried / blind’ copper-gold porphyry style targets in an adjoining mineralised system. Should this initial phase of drilling be successful, a follow up (second phase) resource drilling programme will be planned.

Final preparations are underway by the contract drilling company, Radial Drilling Australia Pty Ltd (“Radial”), to commence diamond drilling in March. Radial have previous experience in the Solomon Islands, and are using a skid-mounted (helicopter-portable) diamond drilling rig with experienced drillers for this programme.

### **ABOUT XDM**

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

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