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PAN AMERICAN REPORTS HIGH-GRADE SECTIONS FROM INFILL DRILLING AT MANANTIAL ESPEJO

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Vancouver, Canada Pan American Silver Corp. (PAAS: NASDAQ; PAA: TSX) is pleased to report further results from an expanded program of infill, metallurgical and exploration drilling underway at the Manantial Espejo property located in southern Argentina. Results confirm continuity of gold and silver mineralization in the primary vein systems Maria and Karina/Union and include high-grade intersections. Reported in the attached table are high-grade intersections that exceed 200 grams/tonne silver-equivalent. Pan American and Silver Standard Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: SSRI) are 50/50 joint venture owners of the property, which is presently the focus of a feasibility study with Pan American Silver as operator.

At Karina/Union, infill drilling has continued to intersect multiple veins associated with northwest-trending fault structures. Locally very high grade intersections have been encountered over a strike length of up to 250 meters and the zone is open to the northwest and at depth. Highlights include holes T-346 and T-373, with hole T-346

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intersecting 49.93 metres grading 6.98 grams/tonne gold and 805 grams/tonne silver, including 25.14 metres grading 12.95 grams/tonne gold and 1,425 grams/tonne silver (with additional geological interpretation underway to confirm the orientation of the structures), and hole T-373 intersecting 7.55 metres grading 9.27 grams/tonne gold and 1,363 grams/tonne silver and 6.5 metres grading 22.17 grams/tonne gold and 1,024 grams/tonne silver. These results underscore the high-grade nature of this vein system and its importance as a source of mineralization for a robust mining operation.

The Maria is the largest and best defined vein on the property at this time. Holes T-355 through T-359 were drilled to provide additional information on the Maria vein. Highlights include holes T-355 and T-356 located on Line 600W with hole T-355 intersecting 5.05 metres grading 2.59 grams/tonne gold and 1,015 grams/tonne silver and hole T-356 intersecting 6.96 metres grading 22.12 grams/tonne gold and 1,386 grams/tonne silver. In addition, hole T-357, located 350 meters from these holes at Line 250W, also intersected high-grade gold values over a significant interval: 20.25 metres grading 12.43 grams/tonne gold and 204 grams/tonne silver.

The feasibility study for the Manantial Espejo property is well underway and is expected to be completed by early 2005. Environmental work has commenced and geotechnical work, metallurgical studies and further infill and exploration drilling are proceeding.

Pan American is currently conducting exploration drilling at its Huaron mine in Peru and the San Vicente project in Bolivia and will be providing more complete updates on the progress at those properties as well as Manantial Espejo over the next few weeks.

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Hole No.	Location (UTM)	Dip/ Azimuth	From (metres)	To (metres)	Interval (metres)	Gold (g/tonne)	Silver (g/tonne)	Interval (feet)	Gold (oz./ton)	Silver (oz./ton)
Veta Melissa										
T-344	4594405N/ 2461807E	-45/ 180	59.60	60.95	1.35	10.40	543.0	4.4	0.30	15.8
T-345	4594175N/ 2463400E	-60/	77.55	79.75	2.20	5.25	476.3	7.2	0.15	13.9
		180	100.90	104.55	3.65	0.13	278.4	11.9	trace	8.1
Karina/	Union		100.90	104.33	5.05	0.13	270.4	11.9	tracc	0.1
T-346 4594396N/ -47°/			7.06	56.99	49.93	6.98	805.3	163.8	0.20	23.5
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		incl.	28.8	53.94	25.14	12.95	1,425.6	82.5	0.38	41.6
			77.35	81.07	3.72	6.64	1,339.7	12.2	0.19	39.1
T-349	4594332N/ 2464504E		68.55	71.02	2.47	1.60	175.3	8.1	0.05	5.1
			132.35	143.75	11.40	3.48	167.9	37.4	0.10	4.9
T-369	4594341N/ 2464421E		108.95	112.10	3.15	10.32	791.9	10.3	0.30	23.1
T-370	4594380N/ 2464710E		160.15	166.55	6.40	1.54	212.2	21.0	0.04	6.2
T-371	4594352N/ 2464570E		18.50	23.25	4.75	1.93	312.3	15.6	0.06	9.1
T-372	4594306N/ 2464603E		25.55	34.50	8.95	0.97	186.3	29.4	0.03	5.4
T-373	4594357N/ 2464649E		26.20	33.75	7.55	9.27	1,363.7	24.8	0.27	39.8
			121.75	128.25	6.50	22.17	1,024.6	21.3	0.65	29.9
T-374	4594261N/ 2464655E		9.20	18.05	8.85	6.89	603.7	29.0	0.20	17.6
T-375	4594248N/ 2464673E		13.80	20.00	6.20	2.60	308.1	20.3	0.08	9.0
T-376	4594322N/ 2464684E		103.50	109.08	5.58	4.96	616.7	18.3	0.14	18.0
T-377	4594320N/ 2464716E		117.97	123.90	5.93	6.19	356.6	19.5	0.18	10.4
T-378	4594257N/ 2464624E		41.15	49.75	8.60	1.15	194.0	28.2	0.03	5.7
Maria Vein										
T-355	4594393N/ 2461892E		103.95	107.00	3.05	0.31	179.3	10.0	0.01	5.2
			143.40	148.45	5.05	2.59	1,015.7	16.6	0.08	29.6

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T-356	4594457N/ -80°/ 2461930E 31	82.65	89.61	6.96	22.12	1,386.2	22.8	0.65	40.4
T-357	4594240N/ -90°/ 2462209E 0	122.40	142.65	20.25	12.43	204.2	66.4	0.36	6.0
T-358	4595130N/ -80°/ 2462375E 32	16.45	20.85	4.40	3.58	364.8	14.4	0.10	10.6
T-359	4594258N/ -85°/ 2462335E 31	38.75	44.20	5.45	9.12	158.9	17.9	0.27	4.6
		52.00	56.08	4.08	3.16	403.7	13.4	0.09	11.8

^{*} Kenneth C. McNaughton, M.A.Sc., P.Eng., and vice president, exploration, Silver Standard Resources Inc., is the Qualified Person (QP) supervising the Manantial Espejo exploration program. All assays are fire assays and were performed by ALS Chemex Labs, with industry standard QA/QC procedures.

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Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

PAN AMERICAN SILVER CORP

By:/s/ Ross Beaty

Ross Beaty, Chairman and CEO

Date: March 23, 2004