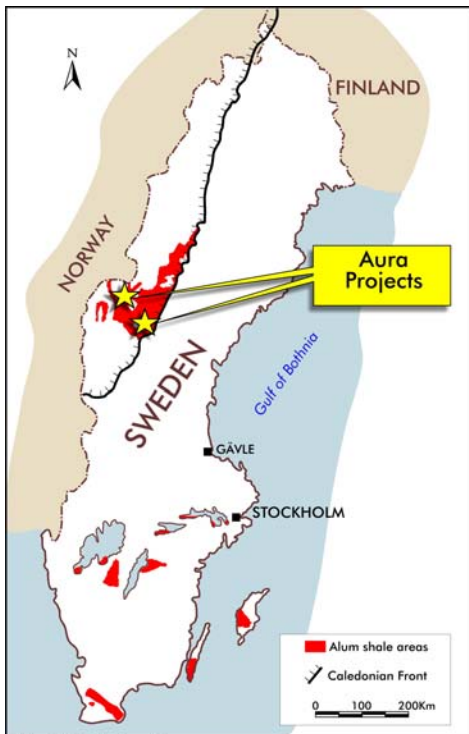


Aura Energy’s first hole intersects exceptional thickness of the uranium-vanadium bearing Alum Shale in Sweden.

- **Aura’s first drill hole in its’ Swedish programme intersects in excess of 228m of Alum Shale within its Häggån exploration permit**
- **This is the thickest reported intersection of Alum Shale anywhere in Sweden.**
- **The Alum Shale is a polymetallic shale typically containing 100-300ppm U₃O₈, 0.13-0.61% V₂O₅ and 250-660ppm MoO₃, in this area**
- **Aura’s permit is adjacent to those where Continental Precious Minerals have recently announced an inferred resource of 437 million pounds uranium oxide and 7.14 billion pounds vanadium oxide.**

Aura Energy Ltd (ASX code: AEE) is pleased to announce that the first hole of the initial drill programme intersected 228 metres of the uranium-vanadium-molybdenum and nickel bearing Alum Shale. The target unit was first intersected at 19.9 metres depth, and continued to 248 metres depth where the hole was terminated.



Alum Shale in Sweden

This intersection is believed to be the thickest accumulation of Alum Shale encountered, based on reports of past government and exploration drilling.

Aura’s Managing Director Bob Beeson said “It is very pleasing that the drilling of the company’s first site has given such a broad intersection of the Alum Shale”.

“There had been no previous drilling within the Aura exploration permit. However, we had selected the licence on the basis of on our interpretation that the shale extended into the area that we have now drilled”.

“Even so, to obtain this thickness in the first hole is well beyond our expectations. This result both confirms our interpretations, and sets the scene for the remainder of our programme”.

“We will now be cutting the drill core, and then

sending the core samples for assay. The Alum Shale in this region typically contains 100-300 ppm U_3O_8 , 0.13-0.61 % V_2O_5 and 250-660ppm MoO_3 based on previous assays by the Swedish government in their drill programmes”

Aura has extensive licences for shale-hosted uranium-vanadium-molybdenum-nickel mineralisation in central Sweden.

Aura’s Alum Shale Project areas in Sweden

The Aura Board has approved a \$1.1 million programme for Aura’s shale-hosted uranium programme for the first half of 2008.

Continental Precious Metals have recently announced an inferred resource of 437 million pounds of U_3O_8 and 7.14 billion pounds of V_2O_5 in the adjoining permits to Aura’s land package in Jämtland.

The province is considered to contain Europe’s largest resources of uranium.



Drilling on Aura’s Häggån Permit, Northern Sweden



Black Alum Shale at 22m



Black Alum Shale at 215m

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Corporate Information

Directors

B Fraser	Non-Executive Chairman
Dr B Beeson	Managing Director
S O'Loughlin	Non-Executive Director
J Stephenson	Non- Executive Director & Company Secretary

Issued Capital

As at the date of this report the issued capital of the Company is comprised of:

35,641,500 fully paid ordinary shares
17,858,500 listed options
4,050,000 unlisted options