



KCGM Media Release

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Rock Fall at KCGM

At approximately 9.10pm yesterday [ED Note: 05/01/2011], KCGM encountered a rock fall in the Trafalgar Section of the Fimiston Open Pit following a period of heavy rainfall.

The fall comprised approximately 100 tonnes of rock, with some material spilling across a haulage ramp. There were no personnel in the area at the time of the event.

“The ramp remained closed during the night shift in accordance with our wet weather procedures,” said David Nicholson, KCGM Acting General Manager.

“During periods of heavy rainfall, it is realistic to expect some rock fall activity in the mining environment and we are confident we had the appropriate controls in place to deal with the weather,” he said.

The Department of Mines and Petroleum has been notified and the ramp reopened this morning following a geotechnical assessment.

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