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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of JANUARY , 2004.

IMA EXPLORATION INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

#709 - 837 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3N6, Canada

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes _____ No _____ X _____

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SIGNATURES

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

IMA Exploration Inc.
(Registrant)

Date January 6, 2004

By /s/ William Lee

(Signature)

William Lee, Director and Chief Financial Officer

1 Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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Securities Act

MATERIAL CHANGE REPORT

Section 85(1) of the Securities Act, British Columbia
(the "British Columbia Act")
Section 118(1) of the Securities Act, Alberta (the "Alberta Act")
Section 75(2) of the Securities Act, Ontario (the "Ontario Act")

1. REPORTING ISSUER

The full name of the Issuer is IMA Exploration Inc. (the "Issuer"). The address and telephone number of the principal office in Canada of the Issuer is as follows:

#709 - 837 West Hastings Street
Vancouver, BC
V6C 3N6
Phone: (604) 687-1828

2. DATE OF MATERIAL CHANGE

January 6, 2004

3. PRESS RELEASE

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A press release dated January 6, 2004, a copy of which is attached, was released through various approved public media and filed with the TSX Venture Exchange and the British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario Securities Commissions.

4. SUMMARY OF MATERIAL CHANGE(S)

Please see attached press release for details.

5. FULL DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL CHANGE

Please see attached press release for full details.

6. RELIANCE ON SECTION 85(2) OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA ACT, SECTION 118(2) OF THE ALBERTA ACT AND SECTION 75(3) OF THE ONTARIO ACT

Not Applicable

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7. OMITTED INFORMATION

Not Applicable

8. SENIOR OFFICER

The following senior officer of the Issuer is knowledgeable about the material change and may be contacted by the Commission at the following telephone number:

William Lee
Chief Financial Officer
Phone: (604) 687-1828

9. STATEMENT OF SENIOR OFFICER

The foregoing accurately discloses the material change referred to herein.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 6th day of January, 2004.

/s/ William Lee

William Lee, Chief Financial Officer

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NEWS RELEASE

January 6, 2004

DRILLING EXPANDS SIZE AND SILVER GRADE OF NAVIDAD MINERALIZED SYSTEM

IMA Exploration Inc. (IMR-TSX.V) is pleased to announce additional results from drill holes 4 & 5 drilled on Galena Hill at the Company's 100% owned Navidad Project. Highlights include 137 metres (m) grading 117 grams per tonne (g/t) silver from drill hole 4, 83m grading 229 g/t silver from hole 5.

Results from the completed drill holes 6 to 11 will be released as available and the drill crew is now on route to complete the remaining 1,700 m in the Phase 1 program. IMA's Geologists are very excited by the size potential indicated by the results to date. Upon the completion of the Phase 1 program results will be analyzed to prioritize drill targets and to delineate the scope of the Phase 2 drill program.

TECHNICAL SUMMARY

Drill hole NV03-04 was drilled to a depth of 287.9m at an angle of -45o and intersected brecciated volcanic rocks containing significant sulphides (principally galena +/- pyrite) from surface to 266.7m. The upper 200.2m of this hole returned an average grade of 92.3 g/t silver and 2.49% lead including 55.1m of 164.3 g/t silver and 2.97% lead from 39.6 to 94.7m (see table below and attached section for complete results). This very long intersection of strongly mineralized rock correlates extremely well with anomalous chargeability values as measured by pole-dipole IP on section 51200E and suggests that much of the remaining 1.3 x 1.6 km chargeability anomaly may be mineralized with galena and associated silver. Partial results from hole NV03-04 were previously reported (see Dec 17, 2003 release).

NV03-05 was drilled to a depth of 217.7m at an angle of -60o and intersected 27.5m of pyritic mudstone before penetrating 125.1m of the same mineralized volcanic breccia cored by hole NV03-04. Length weighted average grades include 229.2 g/t silver and 4.24% lead over 83.0m including 18.3m of 503.0 g/t silver and 11.19% lead. The layered pyritic mudstone is important in that it demonstrates the existence of a restricted basin into which sulphides accumulated (principally pyrite in hole NV03-05) indicating that the Navidad system vented hydrothermal fluids to the paleosurface in a subaqueous environment. This mudstone contains elevated zinc values (0.81% over the entire 27.5m intersection) and strong silver and lead values near its bottom contact where it contains crosscutting stringer veinlets of galena.

Drill holes NV03-04 and NV03-05 were drilled on section 51,160E and were collared 133m apart. Previously announced hole NV03-03 was drilled on the same section and intersected 175.5m of 26.0 g/t silver and 1.35% lead over its entire length. It now appears that NV03-03 was drilled at a shallow angle to the dip of the strata and never crossed the core of the target. Holes NV03-04 and 05 appear to cross the geological units closer to perpendicular and indicate true thicknesses of mineralization of 70 to 140m. Together these three holes indicate a mineralized horizontal width of at least 340m on section 51160E.

IMA Exploration Inc. focuses on quality exploration work designed to define economic gold and silver deposits in Argentina and Peru. IMA has put together an enviable property portfolio including over 37 well-located, high-potential

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projects and is continuing to add to this package through grass-roots exploration and staking.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

/s/ Joseph Grosso

Mr. Joseph Grosso, President & CEO

For further information please contact Joseph Grosso, President & CEO, or Sean Hurd, Investor Relations Manager, at 1-800-901-0058 or 604-687-1828, or fax 604-687-1858, or by email info@imaexploration.com, or visit the Company's web site at <http://www.imaexploration.com>.

The TSX Venture Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or the accuracy of this release. Cautionary Note to US Investors: This news release may contain information about adjacent properties on which we have no right to explore or mine. We advise U.S. investors that the SEC's mining guidelines strictly prohibit information of this type in documents filed with the SEC. U.S. investors are cautioned that mineral deposits on adjacent properties are not indicative of mineral deposits on our properties. This news release may contain forward-looking statements including but not limited to comments regarding the timing and content of upcoming work programs, geological interpretations, receipt of property titles, potential mineral recovery processes, etc. Forward-looking statements address future events and conditions and therefore involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those currently anticipated in such statements.

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TABLE 2: RESULTS FROM DRILLHOLES 4 AND 5

(For results from drillholes 1 to 3 see Table 1 in News Release Dated Dec.17,2003)

| DDH | LOCATION | TOTAL LENGTH (Metres) | PRIMARY LITHOLOGY | COMPOSITE | | g/t SILVER (LWA) | % LEAD (LWA) | |
|---------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| | | | | FROM (Metres) | TO (Metres) | | | |
| NV03-04 | Galena Hill | 287.98 | Volcanic Breccia | 2.8 | 266.7 | 263.9 | 74.1 | 2.04 |
| | including | | | 2.8 | 203.0 | 200.2 | 92.3 | 2.49 |
| | including | | | 39.6 | 176.5 | 136.9 | 117.3 | 2.99 |
| | including | | | 39.6 | 121.3 | 81.7 | 141.5 | 3.15 |
| | including | | | 39.6 | 94.7 | 55.1 | 164.3 | 2.97 |
| | including | | | 65.0 | 94.7 | 29.7 | 189.5 | 3.06 |
| | including | | | 65.0 | 83.5 | 18.5 | 241.2 | 3.40 |
| NV03-05 | Galena Hill | 217.70 | Mudstone & Volcanic Breccia | 43.3 | 126.3 | 83.0 | 229.2 | 4.24 |
| | including | | | 46.7 | 113.3 | 66.6 | 271.8 | 4.82 |
| | including | | | 46.7 | 55.9 | 9.2 | 578.9 | 6.82 |
| | and | | Volcanic Breccia | 89.0 | 107.3 | 18.3 | 503.0 | 11.19 |

LWA = length weighted average (all grades are "uncut").

Results for the upper 81.1m of hole NV03-04 were previously released.

[GRAPHIC OMITTED]

OMITTED GRAPHIC MAY BE VIEWED AT THE COMPANY'S WEBSITE: www.imaexploration.com