Alhambra Resources Ltd.: Gravity and Magnetic Surveys on the Dombraly-Shirotnaia Trend Identifies 18 New Exploration Targets

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CALGARY, April 10, 2012 - <u>Alhambra Resources Ltd.</u> (TSX VENTURE:ALH) (PINKSHEETS:AHBRF) (FRANKFURT:A4Y) ("Alhambra" or the "Corporation"), an international gold explorer and producer, announces that the interpretation of its 1,360 square kilometre ("km2") (Phase one) ground gravity and magnetic surveys over the Dombraly-Shirotnaia gold trend has resulted in the identification of 18 new exploration targets.

The Dombraly-Shirotnaia gold trend is located in the southeastern portion (see News Release dated February 3, 2012) of its 100% owned, 9,800 km2 Uzboy Project area ("Uzboy Project") (see Figure 1).

HIGHLIGHTS

- Numerous variously oriented lineaments and demagnetization zones were outlined as a result of the gravity and high resolution magnetic surveys conducted, and
- A map of 18 new primary exploration targets overlaid with the results of ASTER satellite imagery analysis combined with the historically known gold showings was generated (see Figure 2).

Mr. John J. Komarnicki, Alhambra's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer stated, "We are very excited that our recently completed surveys have identified 18 new exploration targets in the Dombraly-Shirotnaia gold trend. These 18 new primary targets have now been prioritized, with five of them deemed as being high priority. It is anticipated that a soil sampling program followed by a reverse circulation drilling program will be implemented in 2012 to further test the gold potential of these five high priority targets."

HISTORY

Alhambra's early exploration activities identified both Shirotnaia and Dombraly as having significant gold exploration upside. Shirotnaia as a potential extension to the Aksu and Quartzite Hills multi-million ounce gold deposits held by KazakhGold Group Limited located approximately three kilometres ("kms") southeast of Shirotnaia, and Dombraly, as an abandoned but un-depleted Soviet gold mine. Both have become advanced exploration areas with initial National Instrument ("NI") 43-101 resource estimates having been issued in early 2012 (see News Releases dated February 7 and 28, 2012).

Subsequent exploration activities in Alhambra's eastern license area have also identified gold mineralization at North Balusty, Kontaktovy, Kerbay and Zhusaly. These are early stage exploration targets which are 100% controlled by the Corporation that form an emerging gold trend of at least 50 kms extending from Shirotnaia to North Balusty to the north (see Figure 3).

In 2008, a 290 km2 survey was conducted by Azimut Energy Services ("Azimut"), a leading supplier of geophysical services to the mineral industry in Kazakhstan. This successful survey lead to the expanded 1,360 km2 magnetic and gravity surveys recently completed (see Figure 1) to build upon the existing geological and drilling data bases to identify additional and potentially even larger gold targets using current technology. The results of these surveys have confirmed that the area surveyed has even more potential than originally anticipated.

Alhambra anticipates that subsequent surveys will be completed, potentially covering the remainder of the Corporation's 9,800 km2 license area.

OVERVIEW

The magnetic and gravity surveys were conducted along a 1.0 by 0.1 km grid and 1.0 by 1.0 km grid respectively. The surveys were completed by Azimut and were interpreted by an industry respected

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consulting mineral exploration geophysicist Kuncho Kunchev based in Bulgaria.

During the processing of the gravity and magnetic data, Geosoft databases and grids were calculated and used to sketch magnetic and gravity lineaments, anomalies for further interpretation and target generation. Using the lineament intersections and magnetite destruction patterns as the major criteria, 60 targets were picked up, and of the 60 targets identified, 18 were categorized as primary exploration targets.

For further prioritizing of these targets the interpreted survey results were overlaid with the ASTER anomalies and known gold showings from the Soviet era. As a result five first priority exploration targets for immediate follow up were identified. Most of them mark new areas of interest that have not been known before.

Elmer B. Stewart, MSc. P. Geol., a technical consultant, is the Corporation's nominated Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, and has reviewed the technical information contained in this news release.

ABOUT ALHAMBRA

Alhambra is a Canadian based international exploration and gold production corporation with NI 43-101 resources as noted below:

Measured (M) Indicated (I) M + I Inferred Project Grade Grade Grade Grade

Tonnes (g/t) Ounces Tonnes (g/t) Ounces Tonnes (g/t) Ounces Tonnes (g/t) Ounces

Uzboy (1) 14,317,200 1.52 700,000 7,009,500 1.22 275,500 21,326,700 1.42 975,500 11,258,200 1.17 421,700

Dombraly (2) - - 559,000 1.22 22,000 559,000 1.22 22,000 9,317,000 1.01 301,000 Shirotnaia (3) - - 2,900,000 0.76 71,000 2,900,000 0.76 71,000 34,577,000 0.58 645,000

TOTAL 14,317,200 1.52 700,000 10,468,500 1.09 368,500 24,785,700 1.34 1,068,500 55,152,200 0.77 1,367,700

- 1. Effective as of Dec 31/07 as per ACA Howe per news release dated Apr 8/08 at a 0.40 g/t cut-off
- 2. Effective as of Nov 27/11 as per ACA Howe per news release dated Feb 7/12 using natural cut-off grades of 0.13 g/t, 0.1 g/t and 0.2 g/t for the low grade stockpile, pit infill and in-situ mineralized zones respectively.
- 3. Effective as of Jan 9/12 as per ACA Howe per news release dated Feb 28/12 using cut-off grades of 0.1 g/t for oxide material and 0.2 g/t for transitional and primary mineralized zones respectively.

Alhambra holds exploration and exploitation rights to a 2.4 million acre (9,800 km2), 100% owned license called the Uzboy Project, located in the Northern Kazakhstan Metallogenic Province which hosts numerous world-class gold deposits. Over 100 mineral targets, including three advanced exploration areas, are contained within the Uzboy Project.

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