Unprotected Work Stoppage Impacts AngloGold Ashanti's Kopanang Mine

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA -- (Marketwire) -- 09/21/12 -- An unprotected strike at AngloGold Ashanti's (NYSE: AU) Kopanang operations prevented the night shift from taking place on September 20, 2012. The strike is currently confined to this single mine. Management's priority is to maintain safety, peace and stability at the site and to continue a constructive dialogue with all employees, their representatives and other stakeholders. The company is following the necessary procedures and an update will be provided at the appropriate time.

About Kopanang

The Kopanang mine produced 90,000 ounces of gold in the first half of this year, which was about 4% of AngloGold Ashanti's total production over that period. AngloGold Ashanti's South Africa operations accounted for approximately 32% of total group production during the first half of the year. Approximately 5,000 workers are employed at Kopanang, which lies roughly 200km southwest of Johannesburg.

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