North American Tungsten Intersects High Tungsten Grades at Cantung Mine; Confirms Mineralization to the East of the Known 'Below 3700 Level' Ore Body

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA -- (Marketwire) -- 02/06/12 -- North American Tungsten (TSX VENTURE: NTC) ('NTC' or 'the Company') is pleased to announce results from its continuing underground diamond drill exploration program on its 100% owned Cantung tungsten mine in the Northwest Territories.

Summary of Results:

Hole ID	From (ft)	To (ft)	Interval (ft)	Est. True Thickness (ft)	WO3 %
U1936	262.7	304.3	41.6	32	2.57
U1937	269.1	294.4	25.3	21	3.16
U1943	257.2	265.6	8.4	8	4.35

The current drill programme is focused on the outer edge of the defined deposit. The new area termed the 'Amber zone' is located near the 'below 3700 level' of the West Extension and the Central Flats areas and is outside the currently defined deposit.

Figure 1 shows the relative location of the 'Amber zone' on the edge of the known deposit (the currently known ore body is in red). Immediate follow up drilling is planned because of the high grades of the intersections and their relatively close proximity to existing infrastructure. Figure 2 shows the current projection of the zone by the site geologists and will be the focus of the next phase of drilling as soon as drill sites can be accessed.

To view Figure 1 and Figure 2 click on: http://media3.marketwire.com

The detailed assay intercepts are presented in the table below:

Hole ID	DDH From (ft)	DDH To (ft)	Length (ft)	Estimated True Thickness (ft)	%WO3
U1936	262.7	267.0	4.3	3.3	3.02
	267.0	270.7	3.7	2.8	5.96
	270.7	272.0	1.3	1.0	0.55
	272.0	273.5	1.5	1.2	1.41
	273.5	276.0	2.5	1.9	0.94
	276.0	279.6	3.6	2.8	2.55
	279.6	283.7	4.1	3.2	1.14
	283.7	285.6	1.9	1.5	6.43
	285.6	288.0	2.4	1.8	0.19
	288.0	290.1	2.1	1.6	4.81
	290.1	294.3	4.2	3.2	4.18
	294.3	296.2	1.9	1.5	2.17
	296.2	298.0	1.8	1.4	0.07
	298.0	300.2	2.2	1.7	2.44
	300.2	304.3	4.1	3.2	0.70
U1937	269.1	271.2	2.1	1.7	0.47
	271.2	274.1	2.9	2.4	1.86
	274.1	276.6	2.5	2.1	1.20
	276.6	277.9	1.3	1.1	0.38
	277.9	280.7	2.8	2.3	7.34
	280.7	284.1	3.4	2.8	7.58
	284.1	285.5	1.4	1.2	2.23
	285.5	288.2	2.7	2.2	5.65
	288.2	290.8	2.6	2.2	0.42
	290.8	294.4	3.6	3.0	1.16
U1943	257.2	258.6	1.4	1.3	0.44
	258.6	261.9	3.3	3.1	6.01
	261.9	264.0	2.1	2.0	6.09
	264.0	265.6	1.6	1.5	2.04

Mr. Stephen Leahy, Chairman of North American Tungsten, stated, 'These are some of the highest grade intersections we have encountered outside of the known ore body over the past few years with the added importance of the 'Amber zone's' close proximity to accessible workings. Our focus will be on determining the size of this new zone and how quickly we can place it into our production cycle. I would also like to state my appreciation for all the hard work and extra effort by all of our site personnel, who as a part of 'Tungsten Team', are creating the opportunities that we will build on for our future growth.'

The Company further announces diamond drilling has commenced on a 4000 ft program from existing workings to better delineate the 'Amber zone'.

Quality Assurance

Sample analysis were completed at the laboratory located at the Cantung Mine site utilizing both XRF and colorimetric methods. Results for both methods were comparable. Check assays will be done by ALS Chemex Labs in Vancouver. Previous comparisons have been acceptable and reliable.

Qualified Person

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ABOUT NORTH AMERICAN TUNGSTEN CORPORATION LTD.

The Company is a publicly listed Tier 1 Junior Resource Company engaged primarily in the operation, development, and acquisition of tungsten and other related mineral properties in Canada. The Company's 100% owned Cantung mine and Mactung development project make it one of the few tungsten producers with a strategic asset in the western world. Mactung is one of the world's largest known undeveloped high grade tungsten-skarn deposits.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Stephen M. Leahy
Chairman & CEO

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