

Ascot Announces \$2.55 Million Private Placement

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA -- (Marketwire - May 25, 2011) - [Ascot Resources Ltd.](#) (TSX VENTURE: AOT) (the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has entered into an agreement with Macquarie Private Wealth Inc. (the "Agent") to complete a brokered private placement financing (the "Offering"), on a commercially reasonable efforts agency basis. The Offering provides for the issue of up to 3,000,000 flow-through units ("FT Units") at \$0.85 per FT Unit for gross proceeds of \$2,550,000. Each FT Unit will consist of one flow through common share and one-half of one non-transferable, common share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant from the FT Units is exercisable for an additional common share of the Company for a period of 24 months from the date of closing (the "Closing Date") at a price of \$0.95 per share.

In connection with the Offering, the Agent will receive a cash commission equal to 7.5% of the gross proceeds raised under the Offering plus compensation options ("Compensation Options") equal to 7.5% of the number of FT Units sold under the Offering. The Compensation Options will be exercisable into units at a price of \$0.85 per unit for a period of 24 months from the Closing Date. Each Unit will consist of one common share and one-half of one non-transferable common share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant is exercisable for an additional common share of the Company for a period of 24 months from the Closing Date at a price of \$0.95 per share.

Closing of the Offering is scheduled to occur on or about June 17, 2011 or such other date mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Agent. All securities issued will be subject to a four month hold period. The Offering is subject to a number of conditions, including, without limitation, receipt of all regulatory approvals.

Proceeds from FT Units will be used for exploration expenditures which will constitute Canadian exploration expenses (as defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada)) and will be renounced for the 2011 income tax year. These expenditures will be primarily on the Company's Premier and Dilworth properties.

These securities have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act") and may not be offered or sold in the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act) absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors ASCOT RESOURCES LTD.

John A. Toffan
President and Director

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for cooperation of government agencies and native groups in the exploration and development of properties and the issuance of required permits; the need to obtain additional financing to develop properties and uncertainty as to the availability and terms of future financing; the possibility of delay in exploration or development programs and uncertainty of meeting anticipated program milestones; and uncertainty as to timely availability of permits and other governmental approvals. Forward-looking statements are based on estimates and opinions of management at the date the statements are made. The Company does not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements except as required by applicable securities laws. Investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

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