

Cornerstone and Benton Resources Sign Letter of Intent for the Cape Ray Gold-Silver Property, Newfoundland

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MOUNT PEARL, NEWFOUNDLAND -- (Marketwire - Sept. 20, 2012) - [Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc.](#) ("Cornerstone") (TSX VENTURE:CGP) (FRANKFURT:GWN) (BERLIN:GWN) (OTCBB:CTNXF) announced today that it has signed a binding letter of intent ("LOI") with [Benton Resources Inc.](#) (TSX VENTURE:BEX) ("Benton") outlining the terms of an option/joint venture agreement for Cornerstone's Cape Ray gold-silver property located in southwestern Newfoundland.

Under the terms of the LOI, Benton has the ability to earn an initial 70% interest in the Cape Ray property by making the following payments and work commitments:

| | Cash | Shares | Work | Commitment | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------|---------|---------|------------|-----------|--------|----|
| On signing | \$ | 20,000 | 25,000 | -- | | | |
| On or before 1st Anniversary (Year 1) | | | \$ | 25,000 | | 30,000 | \$ |
| On or before 2nd Anniversary (Year 2) | | | \$ | 30,000 | | 40,000 | \$ |
| On or before 3rd Anniversary (Year 3) | | | \$ | 50,000 | | 60,000 | \$ |
| On or before 4th Anniversary (Year 4) | | | -- | -- | | \$ | 75 |
| TOTAL | \$ | 125,000 | 155,000 | \$ | 2,000,000 | | |

Benton can earn an additional 5% (taking their interest to 75%) by incurring an additional \$1 million in exploration expenditures at its sole election but such election must be made within a period not exceeding 18 months from the date that Benton's interest vests at 70%.

Brooke Macdonald, Cornerstone's President and CEO said "We are extremely pleased to have Benton Resources as our partner on the Cape Ray project. The consolidated land package represents a district-scale exploration play which we feel offers excellent opportunities for new gold discoveries, as well as expansion of existing resources".

On July 18, 2012, Cornerstone announced the results of a National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") compliant mineral resource estimate for two gold-silver deposits on the Cape Ray property: 1) the 51 Zone of the Cape Ray gold deposit ("51 Zone"); and 2) the Windowglass Hill deposit ("Windowglass Hill"). Mineral resources for the 51 Zone and Windowglass Hill were reported, respectively, on the basis of assumed underground (2.5 g/t gold cut-off) and open pit (0.5 g/t gold cut-off) development potential. The 51 Zone contains Inferred Resources of 530,000 tonnes grading 6.10 g/t Au and 15.86 g/t Ag (103,943 ounces of gold and 270,253 ounces of silver) and Windowglass Hill contains Inferred Resources of 1,810,000 tonnes grading 1.77 g/t Au and 11.28 g/t Ag (103,001 ounces of gold and 656,415 ounces of silver). The supporting technical report entitled "Mineral Resource Estimate Technical Report for the Cape Ray Au-Ag Property, Isle Aux Morts Area, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada, July 16th, 2012" was filed on SEDAR on August 31st, 2012 and is available on the company's website at:

http://www.cornerstoneresources.com/i/pdf/Properties_CR_43-101.pdf. The report was prepared by Mr. Paul Ténière, P.Geo., and Mr. Andrew Hilchey, P.Geo., of Mercator Geological Services Limited, both being independent Qualified Persons in accordance with NI 43-101.

The consolidated Cape Ray land package, which comprises Cornerstone's 183 claims (45.75 km²) and Benton's contiguous 510 claims (127.5 km²) to the east and 54 claims (13.5 km²) to the southwest, covers a 70 km strike length of the Cape Ray Fault Zone, a major crustal-scale tectonic suture which is one of the most significant gold-bearing structures in the Appalachians.

This press release has been reviewed and approved by Terry Brace, P.Geo., Cornerstone's VP Exploration and a Qualified Person in accordance with National Instrument 43-101.

About Cornerstone:

[Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc.](#) is a mineral exploration company based in Mount Pearl, Newfoundland

and Labrador, Canada, with a diversified portfolio of projects in Canada, Ecuador and Chile, and a strong technical team that has proven its ability to identify, acquire and advance properties of merit. The company's business model is based on generating exploration projects whose subsequent development is funded primarily through joint venture partnerships. Commitments from JV partners constitute significant validation of the strength of Cornerstone's projects.

About Benton:

[Benton Resources Inc.](#) is a newly listed Canadian based junior with multiple joint ventures and a diversified property portfolio in Gold, Nickel, Copper, and Platinum group elements. Benton Resources Inc. currently has approximately \$5.7 million in cash, owns 348,000 shares of [Stillwater Mining Company](#) (NYSE:SWC), holds 1.6 million shares in [Puget Ventures](#) (TSX VENTURE:PVS), holds approximately 8.5 million shares of [Mineral Mountain Resources Ltd.](#) (TSX VENTURE:MMV), holds 815,000 shares of [Bell Copper Corporation](#) (TSX VENTURE:BCU), holds 1.67 million shares of Trillium North Minerals (TSX VENTURE:TNM), holds 1.55 million shares of Golden Dory Resources (TSX VENTURE:GDR) and 3.0 million shares of Parkside Resources (TSX VENTURE:PKS).

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On Behalf of the Board,

Brooke Macdonald
President and CEO

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