Crosshair Energy Corporation: Metallurgy Results Indicate Uranium Recoveries of Up to 94% at Juniper Ridge

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VANCOUVER, 10/04/12 - <u>Crosshair Energy Corporation</u> (TSX: CXX) (NYSE MKT: CXZ) (NYSE Amex: CXZ) ("Crosshair" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the results of its 2012 metallurgy testing of mineralized samples from the Juniper Ridge uranium project in southern Wyoming. Total U3O8 extraction from 63 to 94 percent was achieved at a somewhat lower acid consumption than what had been recorded in the historic tests.

"These results are significant because the samples representing the average grade of the mineralized zone achieved an average 77 percent extraction," said Mark Ludwig, Crosshair President and Chief Executive Officer. "Following these very positive results, additional metallurgical analysis will be conducted to test potential uranium recovery in simulated heap leach conditions."

Eleven bottle roll tests were completed on five core composite samples representing the high grade (0.2920% and 0.0845% U3O8), average grade (0.0674% U3O8), and low grade (0.0435% and 0.0273% U3O8) mineralized zones from the Juniper Ridge property. The highest uranium extractions of 85 to 93 percent were obtained from the two highest grade composites. Six samples representing the average grade of the resource ranged from 68 to 84 percent with an average extraction of 77 percent. Three tests on the lowest-grade composite yielded uranium extractions ranging from 63% to 77%, the latter resulting from leaching parameters considered to be near-optimum.

Uranium extraction was also determined to be extremely rapid, with essentially all of it taking place during the first four hours. These results are generally consistent with the 89 to 92 percent uranium extractions obtained in 1978 by Hazen Research on finely ground samples from the Juniper Ridge deposit. The primary objective of this 2012 analysis was to assess the metallurgical response of the uranium mineralization from relatively coarse samples (-0.25 in.).

Testing was conducted at Inter-Mountain Labs (IML) in Sheridan, Wyoming, by R and D Enterprises, Inc. of Casper Wyoming, under the supervision of T.P. McNulty and Associates of Tucson, Arizona, all of whom are independent of Crosshair.

About Crosshair

Crosshair is a prominent player in the exploration and development of uranium and vanadium projects in the US and Canada. Its Bootheel and Juniper Ridge projects have established resources and are located in uranium mining friendly Wyoming. Bootheel has the potential to be mined using in-situ recovery methods while Juniper Ridge appears to be suitable for an open-pit heap leach operation. The CMB Uranium/Vanadium Project is located in Labrador, Canada and has four currently defined resources - C Zone, Area 1, Armstrong and Two Time Zone. The Crosshair team is composed of knowledgeable and experienced professionals with global experience in exploration, mining and corporate finance that are committed to operating in an environmentally responsible manner.

Mark Ludwig, P.E., President and CEO of Crosshair and a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this news release. Mr. Ludwig has verified the data disclosed in this news release, including sampling, analytical and test data underlying the information disclosed in this news release.

Additional information about the Juniper Ridge Project can be found in the technical report filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com entitled: "Juniper Ridge Uranium Project, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA, 43-101 Mineral Resource Technical Report" dated February 21, 2012. For more information on Crosshair and its properties, please visit the website at www.crosshairenergy.com.

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