

# SAMEX Mining Corp. Pauses El Gringo Exploration and Evaluates Strategic Options

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VANCOUVER, Aug 21, 2013 - [SAMEX Mining Corp.](#) (TSX VENTURE:SXG) (OTCQB:SMXMF) ("SAMEX" or the "Company") provides this updated news release in respect of its El Gringo copper-gold-silver prospect in Chile (the "El Gringo Project") as previously updated in a news release dated May 30, 2013.

Following the resignation of former CEO Jeffrey P. Dahl in January of 2013, the board of directors of the Company embarked on a new strategic direction in an attempt to optimize exploration efforts in Chile. In light of the fact that the Company's cash equivalent balance had already fallen 83% from its 2011 peak (from approximately \$11.9 million down to \$2.0 million), the new board emphasized allocating as much of the remaining capital as possible towards the goal of a resource discovery in Chile. The Company also engaged an entirely new geological team led by Juan Carlos Toro Taylor - one of Chile's most renowned geologists with a track record of leading and participating in ore discoveries. After consulting with several geological advisors however, the Company determined that the most recently received drill assays did not improve from the results announced on May 30, 2013. Irrespective of these efforts, the Company no longer has the capacity to continue independent exploration at its El Gringo Project and management has made the decision to halt exploration and explore strategic alternatives.

SAMEX has entered into discussions with multiple parties to identify and evaluate strategic alternatives. Strategic alternatives may include, but are not limited to: joint venturing or selling existing land concessions, optioning properties in other jurisdictions, or transitioning the company to a different segment of the mining industry. The Company cautions that while it is in the process of evaluating strategic alternatives, there are no assurances or guarantees that the pursuit of a strategic alternative will be successful.

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