

### **COEUR APPLAUDS TODAY'S SUPREME COURT DECISION UPHOLDING KENSINGTON MINE TAILINGS PERMIT**

*Mine Represents 135% Increase to Coeur's Gold Production Levels and Long-term Economic Stimulus  
and Job Growth to Southeast Alaska*

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho – June 22, 2009 - Coeur d'Alene Mines Corporation (NYSE:CDE, TSX:CDM, ASX:CXC) announced today that the United States Supreme Court has released its decision affirming the previously issued permit for the tailings facility for the Kensington gold mine near Juneau, Alaska. The decision clears the way for completion of the only item remaining to be constructed, the tailings facility, and for production to commence at the mine, providing job growth and economic stimulus to Southeast Alaska.

“We are very pleased with today's decision by the Supreme Court. It confirms that the thoroughly studied and permitted plan is lawful and the best environmental choice,” said Dennis E. Wheeler, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Coeur.

“We are also very grateful for the support during this process from the State of Alaska, the Alaska Congressional delegation, Southeast Alaska Native groups, the Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service and the Environmental Protection Agency who all supported the permits in the Court, and the U.S. Solicitor General, who argued the case before the Supreme Court,” Mr. Wheeler added. “Coeur is also very appreciative of the instrumental support received from all the individuals and businesses in the community of Juneau who stood behind supported the project from day one.”

“We now look forward to bringing Kensington into production, which we are now targeting for the second half of 2010. The mine's potential for 125,000 ounces of annual gold production represents a 135% increase for Coeur over our current gold production levels. It is also expected to provide an estimated 370 direct and indirect jobs, including many for Alaska Native Groups, and begin generating long-term economic benefits to Juneau and Southeast Alaska,” Mr. Wheeler added.

“We expect that the environmental organizations who had challenged the mine plan in court will now stand behind their commitment to support the immediate economic impact and job creation that Kensington will provide” he said.

Kensington is a major gold project 100% owned by Coeur and located 45 miles northwest of Juneau. Proven and probable reserves measure 1.5 million ounces of gold.

#### **About Coeur**

Coeur d'Alene Mines Corporation is one of the world's leading silver companies and also a significant gold producer. Coeur will have its first full year of production this year at the world's largest pure silver mine - San Bartolomé in Bolivia – and began production in March at another world-leading silver mine – Palmarejo in Mexico. The Company also operates underground mines in southern Chile and Argentina and one surface mine in Nevada; and owns non-operating interests in two low-cost mines in Australia. The Company also owns a major gold project - Kensington in Alaska - and conducts exploration activities in

Argentina, Chile and Mexico. Coeur common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CDE, the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol CDM, and its CHESSE Depository Interests are traded on the Australian Securities Exchange under symbol CXC.

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Donald J. Birak, Coeur's Senior Vice President of Exploration, is the qualified person responsible for the preparation of the scientific and technical information concerning Coeur's mineral projects in this press release. For a description of the key assumptions, parameters and methods used to estimate mineral reserves and resources, as well as a general discussion of the extent to which the estimates may be affected by any known environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political, marketing or other relevant factors, please see the Technical Reports for each of Coeur's properties as filed on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

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