

NEWS RELEASE

OLYMPUS ADMITTED TO OTCQX IN THE U.S. AND APPOINTS MERRIMAN CAPITAL AS ITS PRINCIPAL AMERICAN LIAISON

Toronto, October 31, 2011 - Olympus Pacific Minerals Inc. (TSX & ASX: OYM, OTCQX: OLYMF, and Frankfurt: OP6) (the "Company" or "Olympus") Chief Executive Officer, John Seton, is pleased to announce that Olympus has been admitted to trading on the OTCQX in the United States, the highest tier of the overthe-counter (OTC) markets. The Company appointed Merriman Capital, Inc. to act as Principal American Liaison (PAL) for the OTCQX. The Company's U.S. ticker symbol remains as OLYMF.

Olympus is a SEC filer and Sarbanes Oxley compliant in the U.S. and lists on the Toronto Stock Exchange, and the Australian Stock Exchange (TSX & ASX: OYM). The Company made the transition to the OTCQX as it offers investors transparent trading, superior information, and easy access through their U.S. regulated broker dealers. Investors prefer the quality controlled admission process on the OTCQX, which identifies the segment of the OTC traded companies focused on valuation and transparency. The OTCQX has more than 180 companies representing approximately one trillion dollars in combined market capitalization.

John Seton, Chief Executive Officer of Olympus stated: "We are impressed with the list of international companies that trade on the OTCQX and that we are joining the top tier OTCQX trading platform, which clearly shows our commitment to our U.S. shareholder base. Our board and management are pleased that Merriman Capital, Inc. is representing Olympus as our Principal American Liaison."

Merriman is one of a select group of investment bank sponsors registered by the OTCQX to work with international and domestic companies as an appointed PAL. Merriman will also assist Olympus to increase its visibility in the U.S. through road shows, investment seminars, networking and other investment banking services.

Olympus is a diversified gold company focused on Southeast Asia with two operating mines and four advanced exploration properties. The Company is well positioned to expand existing gold production at its current facilities and expects to develop and construct its third and largest mine in Bau, East Malaysia. Initial production is projected in the second half of 2014.

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