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## OCEANAGOLD ANNOUNCES CDN\$93,300,000 BOUGHT DEAL FINANCING

(MELBOURNE) OceanaGold Corporation (ASX: OGC, TSX: OGC, NZX: OGC) (the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has entered into an agreement with a syndicate of underwriters, led by Citigroup Global Markets Canada Inc. and Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd. (the "Lead Underwriters"), and including Cormark Securities Inc., GMP Securities L.P. and BMO Capital Markets (collectively, with the Lead Underwriters, the "Underwriters"), pursuant to which the Underwriters have agreed to purchase a total of 30,000,000 common shares of the Company (including common shares represented by ASX-listed CHESS Depository Interests ("CDIs") (together, the "Securities") on a bought deal basis at a price of CDN\$3.11 per Security (the "Common Share Offering Price") for aggregate gross proceeds of CDN\$93,300,000 (the "Offering").

The CDIs will be purchased for the Australian dollar equivalent (AUD\$3.00) of the Common Share Offering Price ("*CDI Offering Price*").

The Securities will be offered by way of a short form prospectus in each of the provinces of Canada (other than Quebec), and in such other jurisdictions, including Australia, where the Securities can be issued on a private placement basis, exempt from any prospectus, registration or other similar requirements.

While commissioning at the Didipio project remains on schedule with the commencement of milling last week, the Board remains focused on maintaining more prudent gearing levels in line with industry peers. Accordingly, the Company will use the net proceeds from the Offer to reduce outstanding debt and to provide balance sheet and operating flexibility.

The Offering is expected to close on or about 18 December 2012 ("Closing").

The Underwriters of the Offering have also been granted an option (the "*Over-Allotment Option*") to purchase up to an additional 15% of the number of Securities, at the Common Share Offer Price or CDI Offering Price (as the case may be) on the same terms and conditions as the Offering. The Over-Allotment Option is exercisable in whole or in part at any time within 30 days of the Closing at the sole discretion of the Lead Underwriters.

The Offering is subject to certain customary conditions and regulatory approvals, including the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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#### About OceanaGold

OceanaGold Corporation is a significant Asia Pacific gold producer with projects located on the South Island of New Zealand and in the Philippines. The Company's assets encompass New Zealand's largest gold mining operation at the Macraes goldfield in Otago which is made up of the Macraes Open Pit and the Frasers Underground mines. Additionally on the west coast of the South Island, the Company operates the Reefton Open Pit mine. OceanaGold produces approximately 230,000 ounces of gold per annum from the New Zealand operations. The Company also owns the Didipio Project in northern Luzon, Philippines where commissioning activities are currently underway. Currently, Didipio is expected to produce 100,000 ounces of gold and 14,000 tonnes of copper per year over an estimated 16 year mine life.

OceanaGold is listed on the Toronto, Australian and New Zealand stock exchanges under the symbol OGC.

## **Important Information**

This announcement contains certain 'forward-looking statements' within the meaning of the securities laws of applicable jurisdictions including statements related to the offering, overallotment, use of proceeds and closing date. Forward-looking statements can generally be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as 'may,' 'should,' 'expect,' 'anticipate,' 'estimate,' 'scheduled' or 'continue' or the negative thereof or comparable terminology. Any forecasts or other forward looking statements contained in this announcement are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and may involve significant elements of subjective judgment and assumptions as to future events which may or may not be correct. Although our management believes that the assumptions made and the expectations represented by such statement or information are reasonable, there can be no assurance that any forward-looking statement or information referenced herein will prove to be accurate. There are usually differences between forecast and actual results because events and actual circumstances frequently do not occur as

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