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PMI to receive Mining Leases for Obotan Gold Project

Another Important Milestone towards Development

PMI Gold Corporation (“PMI”) is pleased to announce that the Minerals Commission of Ghana has favorably recommended that the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources (the “Minister”) grant Mining Leases covering its flagship 100%-owned **Obotan Gold Project** in south-west Ghana. PMI has subsequently paid the required fees. The applications will now be sent to the Minister for signature. This marks another important step towards development of its first gold mining operation in West Africa.

Once formally issued, the three 15-year Mining Leases (renewable under the terms of the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006) will cover a total area of 93.24 sq km, encompassing the four key deposits at Obotan, the main Nkran deposit and the smaller satellite deposits, Abore, Adubiaso and Asuadai.

The Mining Leases represents a key step towards commencement of construction at Obotan with approval from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) representing the final remaining outstanding regulatory approval required to enable project construction to commence.

In August, PMI announced the completion of a positive NI 43-101 compliant Feasibility Study confirming a financially and technically robust mining operation at Obotan with forecast production of 221,500oz pa over its first five years (see *PMI News Release – 28 August 2012*).

PMI is expected to make a Final Investment Decision on the Obotan Project during Q4 of 2012, clearing the way for construction to proceed in Q1 of 2013. First gold production is scheduled for Q1 of 2014.

PMI Gold’s Managing Director and CEO, Collin Ellison, said:

“We are delighted to have secured the positive recommendation for the Mining Leases covering the Obotan Project so rapidly. This represents another important milestone for the Project and enables us to continue to move ahead with the execution of the Project.

“Environmental approval and a final investment decision are the next key milestones, expected during Q4 of 2012, and will pave the way for PMI to join the ranks of gold producers.”

Collin Ellison

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NI 43-101

PMI filed as NI 43-101 compliant technical report on the Obotan Project outlining the Mineral Resources and Reserves Estimate and the result of the Feasibility Study on September 17, 2012. The report is available on SEDAR (www.sedar.com). The NI43-101 technical report was prepared by GR Engineering Services Limited, and co-authored by P. Gleeson, B.Sc. (Hons), M.Sc, MAIGS, MGSA, J. Price, FAusIMM(CP), FGS, MIE(Aust.), R Cheyne, BEng. (Mining), FAusIMM, CEng (IEI), and G. Neeling, BAppSc. (Multidisciplinary) FAusIMM, each of whom is independent for the purposes of NI 43-101. Mr Collin Ellison, President & CEO, BSc Mining, MIMMM, C.Eng, a "qualified person" within the definition of that term in NI43-101, has supervised the preparation of the technical information regarding the Company's mineral projects which is not covered by the filed NI43-101 technical reports on the Obotan Project.

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