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TEMBANG PROJECT – 20 YEAR MINING LEASE APPROVED

Emerging gold producer Sumatra Copper & Gold plc ('Sumatra') is pleased to advise the conversion of the IUP for its 100%-owned Tembang project from 'Exploration' to 'Exploitation' ('Mining Lease') is now complete. Sumatra has been granted a 20 year mining lease for the Tembang project.

The local authority, the Regency of Musi Rawas in the Province of South Sumatra, has granted the Mining Lease, approving future mining operations and production activities at Tembang.

Sumatra Managing Director Julian Ford said, "Following approval of the Tembang project's environmental permitting ('AMDAL') in March 2012 and today's Mining Lease approval, the Tembang permitting process is on schedule. We will now focus on the final permitting requirement, the forestry conversion process, which we expect to complete in the second half of 2012."

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