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MASBATE GOLD PROJECT UPDATE

The Boards of CGA Mining Limited (ASX Code: CGX, TSX Code: CGA) ("CGA" or the "Company"), Phil. Gold Processing and Refining Corp., and Filminera Resources Corporation ("Filminera") are pleased to provide an update on the Masbate Gold Project.

Construction on Schedule

The onsite construction progress of the Masbate Gold Project continues to track well and the project remains on schedule. First gold production is targeted, as originally forecasted for next quarter (Q1 2009).



Masbate Gold Project Plant Site

Safety

The Masbate Gold Project management team and the lead contractor to the project, Leighton Contractors (Asia) Ltd (“Leighton”) have treated safety as a high priority.

The EPC Contract with Leighton has now achieved over 2.8M man hours without a lost time injury.

On a project wide basis, over 4.5M man hours have now been completed for only one lost time injury.

Community Relations

CGA, Filminera and PGPRC strive to build and maintain good community relations on Masbate Island and in particular with the six local barangays impacted by the mining operations of the Masbate Gold Project.

One of the key objectives of the Community Relations Program is to assist those communities improve their quality of life in a sustainable manner.

Unemployment is a major issue. The project currently employs approximately 80% of its workforce from the Island and has during the construction phase employed, on average one person in every three households from the six impacted barangays.

Education is another key priority.

One practical example of the Community Relations Program is the School IT Program. This is a program designed to improve computer literacy and internet access to schools on Masbate Island.

In an initial phase one roll out, four schools were selected. Some 1320 students attend these schools. With donations from CGA/Filminera, Haywood Securities and Imaginet (the Project’s IT supplier), the program has provided the four nominated schools with computer hardware including printers, software, internet access, training programs for teachers and ongoing monthly maintenance visits.



Community Relations – School IT Program

ABOUT CGA MINING LIMITED

CGA is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and Australian Securities Exchange. The Masbate Gold Project in the Philippines is currently under construction and first gold production is due in the first quarter of 2009. The project has a total indicated resource base of 4.55M ounces, total inferred resource base of 3.22M ounces and a probable reserve of 3.03M ounces of gold. It is currently forecast to produce over 200,000 ounces per annum. The 4Mt pa plant is under construction by Leighton Contractors Asia Limited ("Leighton"). CGA is completing a scoping study for the expansion of the plant throughput at Masbate. The mining contract for the Masbate Gold Project has been awarded to Leighton, the largest mining contractor in the world. There are currently four drilling rigs at site at the project. The Company is also currently undertaking a 10,000m drilling program at Segilola, regarded as Nigeria's most advanced gold property. CGA has a disciplined acquisition program focused on acquiring new gold projects with a substantial initial resource with the capacity to grow materially and where the development and operational experience of CGA can be applied to enhance shareholder value.

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Mr Geoff.G.Jones, F.Aus.I.M.M.CP Mng, CGA's Consulting Engineer, is acting as the Qualified Person in compliance with NI 43-101 and JORC reporting requirements with respect to this announcement. He has prepared and or supervised the preparation of the scientific or technical information in this announcement and confirms compliance with NI43-101 and JORC requirements.

Further information relating to the Masbate Project is included in the technical report entitled Technical Report on the Mineral Resources of the Masbate Deposit, Masbate Province, Republic of the Philippines for CGA Mining Limited prepared by Mining Associates Pty Ltd and available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com, lodged 8 July 2008.

Andrew James Vigar of Mining Associates Pty Ltd, a qualified person, has verified the resource statement for the Masbate Project as disclosed in this announcement, including sampling, analytical and test data underlying the estimate. Verification of the data included numerous site visits, database validation of historical drill results and review of sampling and assaying protocols. The qualified person was satisfied with the verification process.

A NI 43-101 compliant report has been lodged on www.sedar.com verifying and supporting the new reserve statement made for the Masbate Project. Mr Daniel Tuffin of Lower Quartile Solution Pty Ltd, a qualified person, has verified the reserve statement for the Masbate Project as disclosed in this announcement, including sampling, analytical and test data underlying the estimate. Verification of the data included database validation of historical drill results and review of sampling and assaying protocols. The qualified person was satisfied with the verification process.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This announcement includes certain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Canadian securities legislation. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, included herein including, without limitation, statements regarding anticipated dates for construction and production, and other milestones related to the Masbate Gold Project and other projects; estimates of capital and operating costs, recovery rates, production estimates and estimated economic return; and CGA’s future operating or financial performance, are forward-looking statements. Information concerning mineral reserve and resource estimates including statements regarding the conversion of inferred resources to reserves also may be deemed to be forward-looking statements in that it reflects a prediction of the mineralization that would be encountered if a mineral deposit were developed and mined. Forward-looking statements involve various risks and uncertainties and are based on certain factors and assumptions. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, and actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from CGA’s expectations include uncertainties related to fluctuations in gold and other commodity prices and currency exchange rates; uncertainties relating to interpretation of drill results and the geology, continuity and grade of mineral deposits; uncertainty of estimates of capital and operating costs, recovery rates, production estimates and estimated economic return; the need for cooperation of government agencies in the development of the Masbate Gold Project; the need to obtain additional financing to develop the Masbate Gold Project; the possibility of delay in development programs or in construction projects and uncertainty of meeting anticipated program milestones for the Masbate Gold Project; and other risks and uncertainties disclosed under the heading “Risk Factors” in CGA’s Annual Information Form for the year ended 30 June 2008 filed with the Canadian securities regulatory authorities on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com.

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