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**OCEANAGOLD COMPLETES 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 closed its bought deal equity financing announced 3 December 2012. The Company issued 30,000,000 common shares of the Company (including common shares represented by ASX-listed CHESS Depository Interests ("**CDIs**") (together, the "**Securities**") 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 were purchased for the Australian dollar equivalent (AUD\$3.00) of the Common Share Offering Price, as at the date that the Offering was first announced ("**CDI Offering Price**").

The Offering was underwritten by a syndicate of underwriters led by Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd. and Citigroup Global Markets Canada Inc. (the "**Lead Underwriters**"), and including Cormark Securities Inc., GMP Securities L.P. and BMO Capital Markets (collectively, with the Lead Underwriters, the "**Underwriters**").

The Underwriters have been granted an option (the "**Over-Allotment Option**") to purchase up to an additional 15% of the number of Securities, at the Common Share Offering 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 Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering to reduce outstanding debt and to provide balance sheet and operating flexibility.

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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.

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