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(MELBOURNE) OceanaGold Corporation (**ASX: OGC, TSX: OGC, NZX: OGC**) (the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce today that, in connection with its previously announced equity raising, it has entered into agreements to raise C\$78 million through the issuance of a combination of Subscription Receipts and Chess Depository Interests. The subscription receipt offering, led by Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd, and including BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. and Thomas Weisel Partners Canada Inc. (collectively, the “**Underwriters**”) will issue subscription receipts in the Company (the “**Subscription Receipts**”) at a price of C\$2.05 per Subscription Receipt (the “**Offering**”). Each Subscription Receipt will entitle the holder to receive, without payment of additional consideration or further action, one common share of the Company upon satisfaction of certain release conditions as set forth in the preliminary prospectus, which includes approval of the offering by shareholders at a Special Meeting scheduled to be held on 25 March 2010.

The Company is also conducting a placement of ASX listed Chess Depository Interests (“**CDI’s**”), at a price of A\$2.18 per CDI (being the Australian dollar equivalent of C\$2.05) (the “**Private Placement**”). The Private Placement was led by Macquarie Capital Advisers Limited. The issue of the CDIs is also subject to approval by shareholders at the Special Meeting referred to above.

The Underwriters of the Offering have also been granted an option (the “**Over-Allotment Option**”) to purchase up to an additional 15% of the Subscription Receipts sold on the same terms and conditions as the Offering. The Over-Allotment Option is exercisable at any time, in whole or in part, up to the earlier of: the date of satisfaction of the release conditions for the Subscription Receipts; and the date that is 30 days after the closing of the Offering.

The Company intends to use the proceeds of the Offering as set forth in the preliminary prospectus.

The Offering is scheduled to close on or about March 4, 2010 and is subject to certain customary conditions and regulatory approvals, including the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the 1933 Act and applicable state securities laws.

It is expected that an amended and restated preliminary short form prospectus (the "preliminary prospectus") relating to the Offering will be filed shortly with securities commissions or similar authorities in each of the provinces of Canada, other than Québec. The preliminary prospectus is still subject to completion or amendment. A copy of the preliminary prospectus may be obtained on SEDAR (www.sedar.com) or by contacting the Company at the below address or from Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd. (ecmcanada@macquarie.com). There will not be any sale or any acceptance of an offer to buy the securities until a receipt for the final prospectus has been issued. A copy of the preliminary prospectus will also be lodged with the Australian Securities Exchange. The preliminary prospectus does not constitute a prospectus under the Australian Corporations Act (Cth) 2001.

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