



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **OCEANAGOLD ANNOUNCES FIRST SHIPMENT OF DIDIPIO CONCENTRATE**

(MELBOURNE) OceanaGold Corporation (**ASX: OGC, TSX: OGC, NZX: OGC**) (the "Company") is pleased to announce the first shipment of the Didipio concentrate from the San Fernando port in the Philippines.

#### **Highlights**

- First shipment of approximately 5,000 dry tonnes of copper-gold concentrate now en route to Hibi, Japan
- First cash receipt for Didipio concentrate due mid April
- 1,500 dry tonnes of copper-gold concentrate currently at port
- 8,800 dry tonnes of copper-gold concentrate currently at Didipio mine site
- Next 5,000 tonne shipment expected late April 2013

OceanaGold Managing Director and CEO, Mick Wilkes, said "Commissioning activities continue to progress well at the Didipio mine. To date, we have produced over 15,000 dry tonnes of copper-gold concentrate and the first shipment of the Didipio concentrate is another significant milestone for the operations team. The process plant continues to ramp up well and recoveries of copper are approaching steady-state expectations. Gold recoveries are also increasing and will be further boosted as the gold head grade increases. As we further optimise the transportation logistics combined with regular outbound shipments to smelters, we expect to be in a position to announce commercial operations during this quarter."

**Figure 1 – Inventory control in warehouse at San Fernando Port**



**Figure 2 – Unloading of bagged concentrate onto ship**



**Figure 3 – Ship alongside at San Fernando Port**



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**About OceanaGold**

OceanaGold Corporation is a significant multinational 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. The Company's Didipio Mine in northern Luzon, Philippines is in commissioning and is expected to produce 100,000 ounces of gold and 14,000 tonnes of copper per year on average over an estimated 16 year mine life. OceanaGold expects to produce 285,000 to 325,000 ounces of gold in FY2013 from the New Zealand and Philippine operations combined.

OceanaGold is listed on the Toronto, Australian and New Zealand stock exchanges under the symbol OGC.

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