



MEDIA RELEASE

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FATALITY AT DIDIPIO PROJECT

(MELBOURNE) OceanaGold Corporation (ASX: OGC, TSX: OGC, NZX: OGC) ("the Company") regrettably advises that there has been a fatality at the Didipio Project site as a result of a weather related incident associated with Typhoon Pedring.

An investigation into the incident by the local police is underway. The Company confirms that the person was a male Filipino national and a contractor to the Company, but at this stage is unable to provide any further information pending the outcome of the investigation.

OceanaGold is arranging for counselling and support services to be available for the family and for employees in relation to this incident.

Mick Wilkes, Managing Director & CEO commented, "We are deeply saddened by this very unfortunate event. On behalf of the Company we send our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends at this very difficult time."

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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 255,000 - 270,000 ounces of gold per annum from the New Zealand operations. The Company also owns the Didipio Project in northern Luzon, Philippines where construction activities are underway with commissioning expected in Q4 2012.

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

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