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ABCOURT RECEIVES THE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ELDER GOLD MINE

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Mr. Renaud Hinse, President and C.E.O. of Abcourt Mines Inc. (TSX-V: ABI, Berlin: AML-BE and Frankfurt Stock Exchanges: AML-FF) (the “Company”), is pleased to report that a Certificate of Authorization was received from the *Ministère du Développement durable, de l’Environnement et des Parcs*, which will allow Abcourt to proceed with the development of its 100% owned Elder Gold Mine. More specifically, Abcourt will excavate new drifts, rehabilitate some old drifts and prepare stopes to extract ore with the objective of producing 25,000 ounces of gold annually as further explained below.

In addition, Abcourt is pleased to announce that permits have been received to store explosives underground.

Mr. Renaud Hinse, stated, *“These permits are important milestones and will enable Abcourt to reach commercial production at the Elder mine at the end of calendar 2013. It should also increase our ability to raise additional funds to complete the development program.”* Abcourt now has about \$2.5 million in working capital.

A NI 43-101 resources estimate, completed by Mr. Jean-Pierre Bérubé, P. Eng., was filed on SEDAR in May 2012. It indicates 1,361,000 tonnes with a grade of 6.60 grams of gold per tonne in the measured and indicated categories for a total of 289,000 ounces of gold and 638,000 tonnes with a grade of 5.70 grams of gold per tonne in the inferred category for a total of 117,000 ounces of gold. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.

A positive Preliminary Economic Assessment report (PEA) completed by Roche Limited, Consulting Group, indicates a net present value before taxes (8%) of \$81.8 million.

During the development period, pre-commercial production will be increased gradually with the goal to achieve commercial production, at a rate of 150,000 tonnes per year with an estimated production of 25,000 ounces of gold. During the development period in 2013, 75,000 tonnes for 12,500 ounces of gold will be produced.

About Abcourt Mines Inc.

Abcourt Mines Inc. is an exploration and development company with strategically located properties in northwestern Quebec, Canada. The Elder Mine with 43-101 gold resources, the Abcourt-Barvue Project with 43-101 silver-zinc ore reserves and resources and the Aldermac property with historical copper-zinc resources are all former producers. Abcourt is now focused on bringing the Elder and Abcourt-Barvue projects back into production with Elder as the first priority. At the same time the company is working on other projects (Aldermac, Vezza, Jonpol and Vendome) to increase its mineral resources inventory. A 43-101 resource calculation was completed in July, 2012, for the Elder Mine. A positive PEA report was prepared on Elder mine in the Fall of 2012 by Roche Limited, Consulting Group. A positive 43-101 feasibility study was completed by GENIVAR in 2007 on the Abcourt-Barvue Project. In addition, mill equipment was purchased. To know more about Abcourt, please visit our web site at www.abcourt.com and SEDAR.

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