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APPOINTMENT OF NEW EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM

Highlights of Corporate Strategy for Advancing Shahuindo Gold Project

Toronto, Ontario, Canada April 2, 2009 Sulliden Exploration Inc. ("Sulliden" or the "Company") (TSX: SUE) is pleased to announce the appointment of a new executive management team and outlines the Company's new 2009 corporate strategy for advancing development of its 100% owned Shahuindo Gold Project.

The Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Peter Tagliamonte P.Eng. as President and CEO effective September, 2009. Mr Tagliamonte has also been appointed to the Board of Directors of Sulliden effective immediately.

Mr. Tagliamonte is a professional mining engineer and also holds an MBA from the Richard Ivey School of Business, at the University of Western Ontario. Mr. Tagliamonte was formerly the President and CEO of Central Sun Mining and previously, Chief Operating Officer of Desert Sun Mining Corp.

Mr. Tagliamonte has over 25 years of mining experience worldwide in the industry and has extensive experience in managing mining operations and mine building notably in Central and South America. He was the recipient of the Mining Journal's "Mine Manager of the Year" award in 2005 as recognition for his work in the mining sector.

Mr. Tagliamonte stated *“I am very pleased to be joining Sulliden. With the litigation now resolved, a 2.1 million ounce resource and a prime location in an excellent mining jurisdiction, I am really looking forward to getting the engineering studies completed and moving the project into the construction phase”*.

The new management team will also include Mr. Scott Moore as Executive Vice-President, Corporate Development, and Mr. Joe Milbourne, Vice President, Technical Services. Mr Moore and Mr. Milbourne assumed their executive positions effective April 1, 2009.

Mr. John Kearney, who was instrumental in successfully bringing to a close the lengthy litigation over the Shahuindo project, will remain President and CEO through the transition period until September, and will thereafter continue on Sulliden’s Board of Directors. The Board would like to thank John for his services as President of Sulliden and particularly for his contribution to resolving the Shahuindo dispute over the last two years.

Stan Bharti, Chairman of Sulliden stated; *“The board is extremely pleased to have been able to recruit Peter Tagliamonte, a proven operational team leader, to direct the Company. With the legal dispute now settled, the mandate of the new team is to quickly move the Shahuindo Project towards production. We have a successful and proven management team in place with the experience and necessary skills to transition Sulliden from an exploration company into a gold producer”*.

2009 CORPORATE STRATEGY

Sulliden will be executing a well-defined strategic plan for advancing the Shahuindo Project towards production.

- Building and strengthening both the executive and local management team with the capabilities necessary to advance the development.
- Completing a Scoping Study based on the Current NI 43-101 Mineral Resource
- Commencing site exploration with the objective to further define, expand and delineate the ore body as recommended in the Resource Estimate of 2005 prepared by Met-Chem.

The Company will be initiating a Scoping Study using independent international engineering firms. The Scoping Study will be based off the current NI 43-101 compliant mineral resource which was completed by Met-Chem Canada in 2005. It is expected that the Scoping Study will be completed in the fourth quarter of 2009.

The Company will also be immediately starting an exploration program with the objective of testing know extensions to the current mineralized resources, increasing the confidence level in grade continuity, classification of the mineral resource as well as adding additional mineralization to the resource.

The Company will conduct additional metallurgical testing to confirm the amenability of the mineralized material to heap leaching for gold and silver recovery. Results of this test work along with previous metallurgical test work will be used to estimate metal recovery and reagent consumption for the Scoping Study.

The Board of Directors would like to thank all the staff in Peru, both in Lima and in particular at Shahuindo, for their outstanding dedication to the Company and to the project and trust such professionalism will continue as we move Shahuindo towards production.

SULLIDEN EXECUTIVE STAFF BIOGRAPHIES

Peter Tagliamonte, President and CEO Designate

Mr. Tagliamonte is a professional mining engineer and also holds an MBA from the Richard Ivey School of Business, at the University of Western Ontario. Mr. Tagliamonte has 25 years of mining experience and was formerly the President and CEO of Central Sun Mining and previously, Chief Operating Officer of Desert Sun Mining Corp.

G. Scott Moore, Executive Vice-President

Mr. Moore is an experienced finance executive with over 20 years in the resource and durable goods sector. He currently is a Director of Sulliden. He is also President and CEO of Franc-Or Resources Corporation, a TSX listed mining exploration company, Vice-President Corporate Development and Company Secretary for Aberdeen International Inc., a TSX listed Resource Investment and Merchant Bank and Vice-President of Forbes & Manhattan Inc. a private Resource Merchant Bank based in Toronto. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Toronto and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management.

Joe Milbourne, Vice-President Technical Services

Mr. Milbourne is a graduate of New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (BS Metallurgical Engineering) and The University of Utah (MS Metallurgy) with over 30 years of experience. Most recently he was Vice President of Technical Services for WildHorse Energy, an Australian uranium development company. He has been Technical Director Process for AMEC Mining and Metals where he managed the process engineering department. He has worked for a number of international mining companies including BHP, Cominco and Eldorado Gold. He is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and Registered Member of SME.

Stéphane Amireault, Vice President Exploration

Mr. Amireault holds a master's degree in geochemistry from École Polytechnique of the University of Montréal and has more than 15 years experience in mining exploration, mostly acquired abroad in Africa, South and Central America. Mr. Amireault is a member of the Ordre des Ingénieurs du Québec. For the past five years Stéphane has directed Sulliden's exploration programs which successfully increased the resource at Shahuindo and will lead the planned new exploration programs in 2009.

Javier Fernandez-Concha Stucker, President Sulliden Peru

Mr. Javier Fernandez-Concha Stucker holds a masters degree in Jurisdictional Politics and has practiced law in Peru for twenty years. A member of Sulliden's legal team for the past five years, Mr. Fernandez-Concha Stucker also serves as General Manager of Sulliden's Peru operations and President of Sulliden's wholly owned subsidiaries; Minera Sulliden Peru S.A. and Minera Sulliden Shahuindo SAC. Javier Fernandez-Concha Stucker has demonstrated tremendous leadership in representing Sulliden in Peru and played a vital role in the successful resolution of the Shahuindo litigation dispute. His extensive experience in law and business will be integral to the management team in advancing Shahuindo towards production.

ABOUT SULLIDEN:

Sulliden Exploration Inc. is a mining company focused on the development of its **Shahuindo** gold and silver Project. The Shahuindo Project is located in northern Peru, in one of the world's most prospective gold and silver regions. The property is located approximately 25km north of Barrick Gold's Lagunas Norte-Alto Chicama 1,200,000 oz/gold per year mine; 70 km south of Newmont's 1,900,000 oz/gold per year Yanacocha mine and 200 km north of Barrick Gold's Pierina 450,000 oz/gold per year mine.

The Shahuindo Project has a NI 43-101 compliant resource with 38 million tonnes grading 0.95 g/t Au and 22.99 g/t Ag, containing 1.12 million oz of gold and 28 million oz of silver (equivalent to 1.56 million oz of gold at a gold to silver ratio of 1:70) in the Indicated Category; and 17.2 million tonnes grading 0.62 g/t Au and 12.83 g/t Ag, containing 342,000 oz of gold and 7 million oz of silver (equivalent to 460,000 oz of gold at a gold to silver ratio of 1:70 in the Inferred Category. The Mineral Resource Estimation was completed by Met-Chem Canada Inc. in April 2005 and has been filed on www.sedar.com.



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Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Inferred mineral resources are considered too speculative geologically to have economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves. There is no certainty that mineral resources will be converted into mineral reserves.

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