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### **Initial Metallurgical Testing Results in 97% Gold Recovery at Invicta Project**

Andean American Mining Corp. (“the Company”) (TSX.V:AAG, FWB:AQN) is pleased to announce the results of initial metallurgical testing from the finalized flow sheet, carried out on an 84.5 kilogram sample from the Company’s Invicta Project in Peru. ED & ED Ingenieria Y Servicios S.A.C. performed the metallurgical testing and assays were done by SGS Laboratories S.A.C., both situated in Lima, Peru.

This metallurgical test returned very encouraging results as follows:

- Gold: 97.38% Overall Recovery (89.67% as gold, 4.82% and 2.89% in copper and lead concentrates, respectively)
- Silver: 97.18% Overall Recovery (74% as silver, 18.24% and 4.86% in the lead and copper concentrates, respectively)
- Copper: Recovery of 79.93%
- Zinc: Recovery of 80.10%
- Lead: Recovery of 88.25%
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The precious metals overall recovery was by gravimetric methods, followed by cyanidation and flotation to copper and lead concentrates, the base metals recoveries were by flotation only.

This resulted in the following grades of concentrates:

- Copper Concentrate: 23.14% Cu
- Zinc Concentrate: 58.49% Zn
- Lead concentrate: 76.51% Pb

It is noteworthy that gold occurs as free gold and is readily recovered by gravimetric concentration.

An 84.5 kilogram sample was collected in the Invicta Project 3400 Level Adit at Crosscut 1NE. The sample was comprised of Family 1 sulphide mineralization containing pyrite, chalcopyrite, galena and sphalerite with associated quartz gangue. The sample was collected and transported directly to the ED & ED laboratory by Andean American personnel.

The sample was subjected to the following five stages of tests:

1. Gravity Concentration
2. Cyanidation of Gravity Concentrate
3. Total Bulk Flotation of the mixture: Gravimetric Tailings + Gravimetric Concentrate cyanidation residue
4. Cyanidation of the Total Bulk Concentrate
5. Differential Flotation to produce Copper Concentrate, Zinc Concentrate and Lead Concentrate

The concentrates are classified by ED & ED as very clean and do not contain contaminating elements such as arsenic, antimony, bismuth or mercury. Only small amounts of magnesium are reported. Reagent consumption was all within anticipated levels.

As reported in the June, 2009 Invicta Mine Feasibility Study, Andean American performed metallurgical testing at local laboratories including Act Labs del Peru, Laboratorio Plenge Ltda, ABR Minería SAC, ED & ED

Ingeniería, Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería, Knelson, SGS and Met-Solve labs between 2005 and 2008. Recovery tests by these local laboratories indicated greatly improved recoveries from testing done in 1998 and 1999. Testing of ore indicated recoveries of gold by gravimetric plus bulk lixiviation in a range from 78% to 94%, depending on the grade of ore and the treatment. For silver, the recovery ranged from 50% to 89%; for copper, the recovery ranged from 50% to 75%.

“The results of this recent test work are very encouraging,” states Chairman John Huguet. “These are the first tests from the finalized flow sheet and have returned major improvements in metal recoveries. They are significantly higher than those used in the feasibility study. Six more metallurgical tests are planned, to be followed by piloting work during construction of the Invicta Mine. As these are initial results, they serve only as validation of the direction that our flow sheet enhancements are taking us,”

The Company expects to receive an updated NI 43-101 compliant resource estimate incorporating an additional 2,000 metres of drill results in the near future. Andean American has retained Independent Qualified Person Victor Jaramillo, P.Geo., of Discover Geological Consultants, Inc. to author the report. In addition, the Lokhorst Group Ventures Inc. is working on an optimized feasibility study demonstrating the applicability of the finalized flow sheets including improvements to the CAPEX, OPEX and the Economic Model.

Mr. Leslie F. Tarnai, P. Eng., General Manager of Engineering for Invicta Mining Corp. and Mr. Andrew Gourlay, P. Geol., President of Andean American Mining Corp. are Qualified Persons as defined by National Instrument 43-101, with the ability and authority to verify the authenticity and validity of technical and scientific data. This news release has been prepared under the supervision of Mr. Tarnai and Mr. Gourlay. ED & ED Ingeniería Y Servicios S.A.C. and SGS Laboratory S.A.C. are both ISO certified laboratories.

On behalf of Andean American Mining Corp.,

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Andean American Mining Corp. (TSX.V:AAG) (FWB:AQN) is an international mining and exploration company focused on growth. The Company is actively pursuing new targets of potential early stage gold and silver prospects in Peru and currently has two key assets: the 41,500 hectare Invicta gold-silver-copper advanced exploration stage project; 58% of Sinchao Metals Corp., owner of the Sinchao zinc-copper-silver-gold-lead mineralization project.

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