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AUSTRALIAN AFFILIATE REPORTS PLANS TO DRILL AT WOODLAWN, NSW AND NEW BOARD APPOINTMENT

Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. (TOE:TSX-V) (“Tri Origin” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that its Australian affiliate, Tri Origin Minerals Ltd. (“TRO”), has completed preparation for a programme of drilling to be undertaken at the former Woodlawn mine site and will now act on recommendations that a drilling programme be commenced as soon as possible to explore for new copper and zinc-rich lodes at Woodlawn. This program will be targeted at expanding the size of the existing Mineral Resource and adding to the quantity of mineralised material that can be developed as part of TRO’s Woodlawn Underground Project (“WUP”).

The Woodlawn Mine, located 200 kilometres southwest of Sydney, NSW, produced approximately 13 million tonnes of copper, zinc, lead and silver ore prior to its closure in 1998. TRO controls the mineral rights to the Woodlawn site and by 2008 had completed resource estimations and preliminary mining studies concerning the WUP. At that time, preliminary economic evaluations indicated that the discovery of new resources away from areas that were previously mined would greatly enhance the economic potential of the project. On this basis, TRO engaged in a thorough review of available near-mine exploration data with the aim of formulating a targeted drilling programme to be undertaken when exploration funding was available.

The extensive amount of data and information available from almost 40 years of exploration and 20 years of mining at Woodlawn has enabled TRO to build a robust interpretation of geology and mineralisation, utilising drill hole, underground mapping and other data. The use of three dimensional modelling has greatly assisted the geological interpretation and has also served to demonstrate the complex geology and structural aspects of the Woodlawn deposit.

The potential for further significant discoveries at Woodlawn has been identified both down dip and along strike from the currently defined limits of mineralisation. Copper-rich intersections from previous drill holes located at a distance from the currently defined underground resource attest to the potential for new discoveries. Many of these targets are relatively deep and the location of mine infrastructure generally precludes the use of surface-based electrical geophysics and other exploration techniques as targeting tools in the near mine area. As a result, a commitment is required to deep drilling followed by down hole electro-magnetic surveying, and sound geological analysis. TRO has advised the Company that it has begun the process of assembling the required contractors and drilling firms in anticipation of commencing drilling late this quarter.

Appointment of New Executive Director

Tri Origin is also very pleased to announce that TRO’s Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary, Mr Jeffrey Quartermaine, has been appointed to the role of Executive Director of TRO with effect from 6 October 2009.

Mr Quartermaine who is aged 52, and is a Certified Practising Accountant (“CPA”) with additional professional qualifications including a Bachelor of Engineering degree, and a Master of Business Administration degree. He commenced his professional career as a civil engineer and later became involved in financial and corporate management. He became a CPA in May 2005 and has held senior finance and commercial roles with a number of ASX listed resources companies since 1991 including Lafayette Mining Limited, Orogen Minerals Limited, Niugini Mining Limited and Elders Resources NZFP Limited. He has served as a director or alternate director or company secretary of several of these companies and their subsidiaries.

Mr Quartermaine also has extensive strategic business management experience involving complex commercial transactions and operations in Australia and in various offshore jurisdictions including the Philippines, PNG, New Zealand, USA, Chile , United Kingdom, Japan, Thailand and Malaysia.

Tri Origin is pleased with this appointment and notes that in announcing Mr Quartermaine's appointment to the TRO Board, the TRO Company Chairman Mr Bill Killinger AM said *"we are very pleased that Jeff has agreed to join the Board of TRO as an Executive Director. He brings a wealth of relevant corporate and financial experience and talent to the Board and together with Executive Director Dr Robert Valliant will form a very effective senior executive team. With the forthcoming application to dual list the Company's shares on the TSX, TRO is now well positioned to deliver on its potential to be a significant explorer for and developer of Mineral Resources in Lachlan Fold Belt of New South Wales"*.

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