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# RESULTS

of the 3<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2011

The Kumtor open pit mine, located in the Kyrgyz Republic, is the largest gold mine in Central Asia operated by a Western-based producer. It has been operating since May 1997 and so far has produced more than 8.2 million ounces, or approximately 256 tonnes of gold.

Kumtor Operating Company is the operator of the Kumtor project responsible for the entire production cycle.

Centerra Gold Inc. is a growth-oriented, gold Company focused on acquiring, exploring, developing and operating gold properties primarily in Asia, the former Soviet Union and other emerging markets worldwide. Centerra is a leading North American-based gold producer and the largest Western-based gold producer in Central Asia and the former Soviet Union. Centerra's shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol CG. The Company is based in Toronto, Canada.

Kyrgyzaltyn JSC is Centerra's largest shareholder owning approximately 33% of the common shares (77 401 766)

AS OF NOVEMBER 24, 2011, THE VALUE OF KYRGYZALTYN'S INTEREST EXCEEDED \$1.52 BILLION.

Additional information on Centerra as well as the full text of Centerra's news release about Third Quarter Results are available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and corporate web-sites of Centerra Gold Ink and Kumtor Operating Company.

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SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 2011, THE COMPANY HAS PRODUCED **444,460 OUNCES**, OR **13,824 KG** OF GOLD.

DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 2011, IT HAS CONTRIBUTED **KGS 5.378 BILLION** IN TAXES AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS.

Three months ended September 30 Nine months ended September 30

## **KUMTOR OPERATING RESULTS**

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Gold produced - ounces 1	2011 141,217	2010 <b>68,757</b>	Change (%)	2011 444,460	2010 339,369	Change (%) 31%
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Gold produced - kg	4,392	2,139	105%	13,824	10,556	31%
Gold sold - ounces	146,765	66,490	121%	457,597	358,461	28%
Gold sold - kg	4,565	2,068	121%	14,233	11,149	28%
Average realized gold price – \$ /oz	1,705	1,237	38%	1,533	1,159	32%
Revenue from gold sales to Kyrgyzaltyn <sup>2</sup> - \$ millions <sup>3</sup>	250.3	82.2	205%	701.4	415.3	69%
Total production cost (with depletion and amortization ) - \$millions	120.0	73.2	64%	281.0	212.6	32%
Revenue-based tax + Issyk-Kul Development Fund - <i>\$millions</i>	32.7	20.3	61%	105.4	88.7	19%
Capital expenditures - \$millions	34.4	70.3	(51%)	152.3	133.2	14%
Exploration expenditures - \$millions	3.5	3.3	6%	10.7	7.8	37%
Tonnes mined - 000s	38,702	30,714	26%	113,480	86,905	31%
Tonnes ore mined - 000s	2,889	774	273%	4,925	2,953	67%
Average mining grade - g/t	3.05	1.89	61%	3.43	3.51	(2%)
Tonnes milled - 000s	1,429	1,390	3%	4,365	4,290	2%
Average mill head grade - g/t	4.01	1.57	155%	3.79	3.10	22%
Recovery - %	80.2	73.4	9%	81.8	76.4	7%

<sup>(1)</sup> One Troy ounce equals to 31.10348 grammes.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Dore bars, produced by the Kumtor mine are purchased at the mine site by Kyrgyzaltyn JSC for processing at its refinery in the Kyrgyz Republic pursuant to a Gold and Silver Sales Agreement signed by KOC, Kyrgyzaltyn and the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic. Kyrgyzaltyn JSC enjoys the exclusive right to sell refined gold and silver both in and outside the Kyrgyz Republic.

<sup>(3)</sup> Unless specified otherwise, all dollar figures in this news release are in US dollars.

#### **CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS:**

Centerra has become a supporting company of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative ("EITI"). Centerra is active in promoting EITI principles both in the Kyrgyz Republic and Mongolia. The Company's mines operating in these countries were among the first to support the EITI principles, adopt the Initiative's reporting guidelines and contribute to the improvement of EITI infrastructures in the countries where Centerra mines are operating.

As part of its evolving corporate responsibility efforts, Centerra Gold Inc. contributed \$10 million during the quarter for the construction and repair of twenty-seven schools throughout the Kyrgyz Republic.

## KUMTOR PROJECT'S CONTRIBUTIONS IN TAXES AND MANDATORY PAYMENTS IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 2011

Ended September 30, 2011	USD thousands		
Revenue-based tax	97,067.5		
Issyk-Kul Development Fund	8,312.9		
Pollution tax	310.0		
Income tax	3,857.1		
Social Insurance Fund	8,289.6		
Customs	789.6		
Tax of nonresident companies	833.2		
Other taxes and mandatory payments	49.0		
Total:	119,508.9 *		
US\$ official exchange rate to the Kyrgyz Som as of September 30, 2011	45.0008		
uivalent of payments effected in million Kyrgyz Soms	5,377,996		

**Note:** Under the Agreement on New Terms of April 24, 2009, the revenue-based tax and contributions to the Issyk-Kul Development Fund are estimated based on actual cash revenues from sales during the specified period.

\* Indicated payments do not include received by Kyrgyzaltyn OJSC dividends in the amount of \$ 30.2 millions, paid to shareholders of Centerra Gold Inc.in May, 2011.

### **OUTLOOK FOR 2011**

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The Kumtor mine is expected to produce 580,000 to 600,000 ounces (18 to 18.7 tonnes) in 2011 revised from the prior guidance of 550,000 to 600,000 ounces.

The capital expenditures for 2011 are estimated to be \$186 million, including \$152 million of growth capital and \$34 million of sustaining capital.

Growth capital investment at Kumtor will be spent primarily on the purchase of seven CAT 789 haul trucks (\$21 million), purchase of equipment for the North Wall expansion project (\$25 million) and pre-stripping costs related to the development of the open pit (\$54 million). Also, \$50 million is included in growth capital investment for the development of the underground, of which \$43 million has been allocated to advance the two underground declines to continue to develop the SB Zone and Stockwork Zone, as well as, \$2 million for delineation drilling and \$5 million for capital purchases and other costs.

The largest sustaining capital spending will be on the major overhaul maintenance of the heavy duty mine equipment (\$20 million), expenditures for the shear key, buttress and tailings dam construction works (\$5 million) and for equipment replacement and other items (\$9 million).

Planned exploration expenditures in the Kyrgyz Republic are approximately \$14 million, which is higher than the prior guidance of \$13 million due to increased drilling activity.



GOLD PRODUCED BY THE KUMTOR MINE IS PURCHASED AT THE MINE SITE BY KYRGYZALTYN JSC FOR PROCESSING AT ITS REFINERY IN THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC PURSUANT TO A GOLD AND SILVER SALES AGREEMENT SIGNED BY KOC, KYRGYZALTYN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC.

KYRGYZALTYN JSC ENJOYS THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO SELL REFINED GOLD AND SILVER BOTH IN AND OUTSIDE THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC.

