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Mine Canyon Drill Preparation Completed

Vancouver, B.C.: Phoenix Copper Corporation ("**Phoenix**" or the "**Company**") (TSX-V Symbol: PHC) is pleased to announce that the Company has completed necessary road, drill pad construction and mapping of the underground workings in preparation for diamond drilling on its Mine Canyon Project in southeastern Arizona. The program is targeting strong copper mineralization encountered on the surface and extending into recently reopened underground workings more than 300 feet beneath the surface.

High grade copper ore consisting of gobby bornite in garnet skarn was mined from the property in the 1920s. Adverse claim ownership kept large mining companies such as Asarco, Duval, New Jersey Zinc, and Phelps Dodge from conducting any modern exploration work on the skarn since the time that the old mine was in operation. The patented and unpatented mining claims comprising the property were consolidated for the first time in 2012. The Company's planned diamond drilling program will be the first test of the vertical extent of copper mineralization beneath the historic mine workings.

On the Mine Canyon property, a 74 million-year-old (Laramide) composite granodiorite stock cuts a 6000-foot-thick sequence of Paleozoic carbonate rocks, the thickest accumulation of carbonate rocks in Arizona. The stock and contact zone (skarn) underlies the Mine Canyon Project. Bornite-rich skarn deposits that formed along the contact between the granodiorite stock and the top of the Paleozoic carbonate rocks were mined from the patented claims in the 1920's by a prominent Bisbee family. In the mid-1960's Asarco and other companies explored the granodiorite stock and developed a historical 29 million ton indicated resource grading 0.28% Cu occurring as copper oxides and chalcopyrite along a 3000-foot long, intensely sheeted fracture zone cutting the granodiorite. This resource is historical in nature and does not comply with NI43-101 standards. A Qualified Person has not reviewed this historical resource, and it should not be relied upon.

The Company can earn a 75% interest in the Mine Canyon Property by making cash payments totaling $900,000 and completing expenditures of $3,000,000 within 4 years. The Property is subject to a two percent (2%) Net Smelter Royalty to a third party.

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New Corporate Website

The Company further announces that the new Corporate Website can be accessed at:

http://www.phoenixcopper.com

Private Placement

The company further announces a non-brokered private placement of up to 20 million units at a price of five cents per unit to raise proceeds of up to $1-million. The unit will consist of one common share and one share purchase warrant with each warrant entitling the holder to acquire one additional common share at a price of 15 cents per share for the first year and 20 cents for the second year from closing. The unit warrants are subject to the right of the company to accelerate the exercise period for the unit warrants if the common shares of the company trade above 25 cents for a period of 10 consecutive trading days. The proceeds of the private placement will be used for the drill program at the Company's Mine Canyon project as well as for general working capital purposes. The company may pay finders' fees on the private placement proceeds to certain parties in accordance with the policies of and subject to the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.
The Company further announces that it has cancelled its non-brokered private placement financing previously announced May 16, 2012 and July 5, 2012.

Qualified Person
Dr. Timothy Marsh, PhD, PEng, President of the Company, a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical content in this press release.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of
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