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**BATERO RECEIVES CONFIRMATION FROM INGEOMINAS THAT 100% OF THE  
PROPERTY IS NOW COVERED BY CONCESSION AGREEMENTS ALLOWING  
LONG-TERM FUTURE EXPLOITATION OF PROJECT**

**VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA – January 16, 2012 - Batero Gold Corp. (TSX-V: BAT)** is pleased to report confirmation that concession agreements are now executed on 100% of the Company's property and are expected to be registered soon on the 100% owned Batero-Quinchia project in Risaralda, Colombia.

Brandon Rook, President and CEO of Batero Gold Corp. said. "We are pleased that we have progressed from shorter term exploration licenses to much longer term concession agreements and that Ingeominas (Government Mining Authority) has issued the concession agreements encompassing 100% of our project. This provides the company and investors with long term stability to continue to explore the gold-copper project and begin prefeasibility work and also allow the company to potentially mine the project at the end of this process."

Also, the Company would like to announce that its strong, unique, and dedicated social and environmental programs that have been built and have contributed significantly to successfully completing the 2011 program on time and on budget and also have contributed to the quick succession of receiving its concession agreements in a timely manner would like to introduce a new corporate social responsibility report ([www.baterogold.com/corporate-governance/social-and-environmental](http://www.baterogold.com/corporate-governance/social-and-environmental)). This important report outlines the company's commitment to environmentally and socially responsible gold exploration. A new website ([www.explorebatero.com](http://www.explorebatero.com)) that hosts this report also includes six short documentary movies that explore Batero's sustainability commitments. If you don't have QuickTime on your device, you can view the movies here: <http://www.baterogold.com/corporate/social-and-environmental-videos>

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF**

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## **About Batero Gold:**

Batero Gold Corp. (TSX-V:BAT) is a Vancouver-based precious and base metals exploration and development company focused in Colombia's emerging and prolific Mid-Cauca porphyry gold and copper belt. Batero is located within the Quinchia district and has 100% ownership in the Batero-Quinchia Project, comprising a 1407 hectare tenement. The Batero-Quinchia Project includes three known gold-copper porphyry centres. The Quinchia district and Batero's project is considered socially stable and mining friendly and is supported with a comprehensive infrastructure network. Batero has assembled a strong management and technical team in Colombia that has contributed to numerous significant discoveries throughout Colombia. Batero plans to leverage its strategic share structure with strong local and regional relationships, and long-term financial partners, to develop its prospective project into what the Company believes will be Colombia's next major mining venture.

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Forward-looking statements or information are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ from those reflected in the forward-looking statements or information, including, without limitation, risks relating to: fluctuations in the spot and forward price of gold or certain other commodities; changes in national and local government legislation, taxation, controls, regulations and political or economic developments in Canada, Colombia or other countries in which the Company may carry on business in the future; the uncertainties involved in interpreting geological data; business opportunities that may be presented to, or pursued by, the Company; operating or technical difficulties in connection with mining activities; the speculative nature of gold exploration and development, including the risks of obtaining necessary licenses and permits; diminishing quantities or grades of reserves; and contests over title to properties, particularly title to undeveloped properties. In addition, there are risks and hazards associated with the business of gold exploration, development and mining, including environmental hazards, industrial accidents, unusual or unexpected formations, pressures, cave-ins, flooding and gold bullion losses (and the risk of inadequate insurance, or the inability to obtain insurance, to cover these risks).

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