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CHURCHILL MINING PLC
("Churchill" or "the Company")

**First JORC calculation of 250 Mt coal resources
exceeds Q1 target by 150%
at the East Kutai Coal Project, Indonesia**

Churchill Mining Plc announces that the company's initial target of 100 Mt of coal in various categories of JORC compliant resource at East Kutai Coal Project ("EKCP"), has been exceeded by 150%, with total coal resources to date being 250 million tonnes ("Mt").

Churchill's EKCP drilling and exploration data was modeled by SMG Consultants under the direction of Senior Geologist, Mr. Stephen Barber (B.Sc.Hons – University of Queensland - Member of AusIMM) and an initial JORC resource calculated, a summary of which appears below.

An initial resource of 250Mt was calculated for EKCP, comprising of:

- Measured Resource of 44Mt
- Indicated resource of 73Mt
- Inferred resource of 133Mt

The following criteria were used to define the resource classification of the East Kutai Coal Project in East Kalimantan, Indonesia.

- Drill holes that were geophysically logged and sampled were considered as valid points of observation for resource calculations.
- Only drill holes that have valid survey collars (not GPS-survey) were used, i.e. those drill holes not surveyed were not considered at this stage.
- Additionally open holes which were verified as intersecting relevant seams based upon the geophysical logs were also used to ensure continuity of the resource calculation along the entire strike length of the deposit.
- Division of the resources into Measured, Indicated and Inferred status was undertaken.
- The following resource dimensions were used:
 - Measured – 250m radius circular polygons around points of observation
 - Indicated – 500m radius circular polygon around points of observation
 - Inferred – 1,000m radius circular polygons around points of observation

- Only drill holes located within the area that has topographical survey data were considered for measured and indicated resource calculations, i.e. sample holes located outside this survey area were only used for inferred resource calculations.
- Note – those holes that currently have not been surveyed and/ or are located outside the area that has been topographically surveyed may be used at a later date for measured and indicated resource calculations.

Commenting on the results Paul Mazak, Managing Director of Churchill Mining said: “The results speak for themselves. Such a significant early stage resource number reaffirms the Company’s confidence in the shear potential size of this project. Further drilling and exploration work should move much of the current resource categories into higher level categories and toward the 100mt mining reserve that the company is targeting.”

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JORC STATEMENT

This resource statement completed during April 2008 has been prepared in accordance with the JORC Code.

The information in this statement relates to Coal Resources of the East Kutai Coal Project and is based on information compiled by Stephen Barber, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Stephen Barber is employed as a Senior Geologist by SMG Consultants Pty Ltd. Stephen Barber has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralization and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the “Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves”. Stephen Barber has over 8 years experience in exploration and mining of coal deposits.

In accordance with the AIM Guidelines, Mr Stephen Barker of SMG Consultants, is the qualified person that has reviewed the technical information contained in this release.

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Notes to editors

Churchill Mining Plc listed on AIM in April 2005.

East Kutai Coal Project

In May 2007 Churchill announced a sales agreement had been entered into to purchase a 75% interest in the East Kutai Coal Project from PT Techno Coal Utama. Churchill has now extended the size of the project by 200 square kilometres by acquiring a 75% interest in the abutting tenements to the west of EKCP from the Investmine Group of Indonesia. Exploration and resource drilling continue along with scoping and pre-feasibility work.

This initial JORC Resource Statement defining 250 Mt of coal resources more than doubled the amount of coal expected to be confirmed by April 2008.

The various JORC (Joint Ore Reserve Committee) Resource categories are defined as follows:

A Mining Reserve: the economically mineable part of a Measured Resource and takes into consideration variables outside of the geological continuity including; mining method, processing, economics, marketing, legal, environmental, social and governmental factors

Measured Resource: can be estimated with a high level of confidence with the sample locations spaced closely enough to confirm geological and grade continuity.

Indicated Resource: can be estimated with a reasonable level of confidence, with the sample locations spaced too widely apart to confirm geological and/or grade continuity but are spaced closely enough for continuity to be assumed.

Inferred Resource: can be estimated with a low level of confidence, being inferred from geological evidence and assumed but not verified geological and grade continuity.

The aim of any exploration and drilling programme is to move the maximum number of tonnes sitting in the Inferred and Indicated Resources categories up to the Measured Resource category and eventually into a Mining Reserve, by continually updating the geological model and other aspects, through additional drilling and other geological exploration work.

Sendawar – CBM

The Sendawar CBM project in Kalimantan, Indonesia, covers more than 800 square kilometres of prospective ground and lies in close proximity to two operating open-cut coal mines. The project is located approximately 50km from the Mahakam River.

During Churchill's coal exploration programme, data collected during geophysical and resistivity work, along with data collected from previous oil and gas exploration in the area, indicated that the area was highly prospective for Coal Bed Methane. Churchill (70% of the CBM project) along with its Indonesian partner RMU (30%) were granted Indonesia's first CBM JEA license in September 2007. The CBM project has the potential to host Gas-in-Place of 5.6 trillion cubic feet. Churchill is currently conducting further studies on the CBM project before starting detailed field work.

South Woodie Woodie

Given the increased prospectivity of South Woodie Woodie and Churchill's increasing focus on its Indonesian coal and coal bed methane projects, the Company sold 80% of the project to Australian company Spitfire Resources Limited ("Spitfire").

Spitfire, which listed on the ASX on the 12th December 2007, has the option to purchase the remaining equity in the project but must spend AUD\$1.5 million on exploration. Aside from its large shareholding in Spitfire, Churchill also retains a price-indexed mining royalty over the South Woodie Woodie project.

The South Woodie Woodie project covers approximately 490 square kilometres (with a further 899 square kilometres under application) in the East Pilbara region of Western Australia, and sits approximately 400km southeast of Port Hedland in the highly prospective Pilbara manganese province. Spitfire has identified multiple drill targets and shall begin its new drill programme shortly.

In March 08 Spitfire announced that it had secured the strategic support of the diversified Norwegian-based industrial, trading and metals & alloys group, **Tinfos AS** ("Tinfos"), as its new major shareholder via a share placement.

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