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Southern Arc Engages SRK Consulting to Complete Technical Report for West Lombok Project

December 14, 2011 – Vancouver, BC – Southern Arc Minerals (TSX-V: SA, OTCQX: SOACF) (“Southern Arc” or “the Company”) has engaged SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. (“SRK”) to complete a National Instrument 43-101 (“NI 43-101”) compliant technical report for the Company’s West Lombok project.

SRK has completed a site visit to the West Lombok project to provide an independent review of the Company’s sampling and logging procedures for the ongoing drilling program. Southern Arc will continue to provide SRK with information as the exploration program proceeds so that SRK can complete an independent NI 43-101 compliant technical report for the West Lombok project by the end of Q2-2012, including resource estimates for both the Mencanggih and Pelangan prospects.

Through its Perth office, SRK completed a similar technical audit of Southern Arc’s sampling and logging procedure and methodology in June 2008 and found the Company’s practices to be of industry standard and well implemented.

SRK is an international consulting house specializing in all aspects of the mining industry from grassroots exploration, through preliminary and final feasibility studies, to mine optimization, closure and remediation. Established in 1974, SRK’s clients include most of the world’s major, intermediate and junior mining and exploration companies.

About Southern Arc

Southern Arc Minerals Inc. is a Canadian mineral exploration company with an aggressive exploration, acquisition and growth strategy. The Company’s portfolio includes four exploration projects with epithermal gold and gold-copper porphyry prospects on the Lombok and Sumbawa islands in Indonesia, three of which are being advanced in partnership with major mining companies Vale and Newcrest. The Company’s key exploration property is its West Lombok project, with several gold-rich copper porphyry and epithermal gold vein prospects. Southern Arc is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol SA and on the OTCQX under the symbol SOACF. More information is available at www.southernarcminerals.com or by emailing info@southernarcminerals.com.

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