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Southern Arc Appoints Rhylin Bailie as Vice President, Communications & Investor Relations

Vancouver, BC – Southern Arc Minerals (TSX-V: SA) (“Southern Arc” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Rhylin Bailie as Vice President, Communications & Investor Relations.

Ms. Bailie brings a diverse skill set and nearly 16 years of mining experience to her position with Southern Arc. Most recently, she was Director Communications & Investor Relations for NovaGold Resources, a TSX and NYSE-AMEX listed precious metals company with a \$2.2 billion market cap. Ms. Bailie joined the investor relations team at NovaGold in 2006 and assumed full responsibility for NovaGold’s investor relations and communications program in early 2010. Before joining NovaGold, Ms. Bailie held various positions in the Treasury group at Placer Dome from 1995 to 2006. Ms. Bailie has also worked as a freelance editor and writer for 10 years, editing mostly academic textbooks and providing investor relations consulting and writing services to smaller resource companies.

“I am very pleased to announce Rhylin Bailie’s appointment to the Southern Arc team,” said John Proust, Chairman and CEO of Southern Arc. “Rhylin’s extensive communications expertise and innovative approach to investor relations will greatly enhance Southern Arc’s investor outreach programs. Her reputation in the industry and network of contacts will also increase Southern Arc’s visibility. I look forward to working closely with Rhylin to take Southern Arc to the next level of corporate governance and communications.”

Ms. Bailie is a graduate of University of Waterloo, Ontario, where she completed a Bachelor of Environmental Studies degree with a double major in Resource Studies and Biology and a minor in English. Ms. Bailie used her environmental background to introduce a number of initiatives at NovaGold, including a head office health and safety program and comprehensive sustainability reporting. She is a Board member of the Canadian Investor Relations Institute, British Columbia Chapter.

Southern Arc has agreed to pay \$84,000 to J. Proust & Associates Inc. (“JPA”), a company controlled by Southern Arc’s CEO, in consideration for JPA providing Ms. Bailie’s investor relations and corporate communications advice to Southern Arc. The Company has granted 200,000 stock options to Ms. Bailie, exercisable at \$1.71 per share. The stock options vest over 24 months, with 25% to vest on the 6-month anniversary of the date of grant and 25% every 6 months thereafter.

Southern Arc also reports that Mr. Robert Vidoni is leaving Southern Arc to pursue other opportunities. Southern Arc would like to thank Mr. Vidoni for his years of service and wish him well in his future endeavors.

About Southern Arc

Southern Arc Minerals Inc. is an Indonesia-based Canadian mineral exploration company with an aggressive exploration, acquisition and growth strategy. The Company’s portfolio includes four active, advanced projects with epithermal gold and gold-copper porphyry prospects on the Lombok and Sumbawa islands in Indonesia. The Company’s key exploration property is its 100%-owned 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. More information is available at www.southernarcminerals.com or by emailing info@southernarcminerals.com.

**On behalf of the Board of
Southern Arc Minerals Inc.**

“John Proust”

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