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Southern Arc Appoints West Lombok Project Manager

September 19, 2011 – Vancouver, BC – Southern Arc Minerals (TSX-V: SA) (“Southern Arc” or the “Company”) continues to strengthen its in-country Indonesian team with the appointment of Peter Cranfield, BSc (Eng), MIMMM, CEng as Project Manager for its West Lombok project.

Mr. Cranfield has over 30 years of management and operating experience in the mining industry throughout Southeast Asia and Australia. His diverse resumé includes 10 years operating and managing narrow vein underground mines, along with 20 years’ experience in alluvial mining and processing, covering exploration, development and production for tin, wolfram, gold and diamonds. Mr. Cranfield’s experience includes resource evaluation, feasibility studies, and planning and development of new mines throughout Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia and Australia. He graduated in 1970 with a BSc Honours Degree in Mining Engineering from the Imperial College Royal School of Mines in the United Kingdom and achieved the status of Chartered Engineer (CEng) from the UK Engineering Institute in 1980.

As Project Manager, Mr. Cranfield will oversee the Company’s West Lombok operations, maintain liaison with the local Regency government and communities, and manage the project as it progresses from exploration to resource definition and feasibility stages. He has also been appointed President Director of PT Indotan Lombok Barat Bangkit, Southern Arc’s Indonesian subsidiary that holds the mining business license (IUP) for the West Lombok project.

Mr. Cranfield has been based in Lombok since 1990 and speaks both Thai and Indonesian fluently. Through the founding of an international school, cargo and handicraft export businesses with his Indonesian wife, he has a unique in-depth understanding of the local Sasak (Lombok) culture and an extensive network of local contacts.

“Peter brings additional depth and expertise to Southern Arc in the role of Project Manager at our flagship West Lombok project,” said John Proust, Chairman & CEO of Southern Arc. “With his unique knowledge of the local Sasak culture and extensive experience advancing and developing mineral properties, he will be a major asset to Southern Arc as we continue to advance our properties.”

On behalf of the Board of Directors

“John Proust”

Chairman and CEO

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 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. More information is available at www.southernarcminerals.com or by emailing info@southernarcminerals.com.

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