

SERIES ADJUSTMENTS - 2005-045 ONN INFORMATION CIRCULAR #1388 March 8, 2006

Placer dome, Inc. (PDG) Pending Merger with Barrick Gold Corporation (ABX

Placer Dome Inc. (PDG) has announced that Wednesday, March 8, 2006 will be the last day PDG Common Shares w trade on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX). In connection with the Compulso Acquisition of PDG Common Shares not tendered in the exchange offer by Barrick Gold Corporation (ABX), PDG Transfe Books will be permanently closed at the end of the day on March 8, 2006

Compulsory Acquisition Exchange Terms

Subject to proration, Placer Dome Inc. Shareholders may elect to exchange each PDG Common Share for either

Cash Alternative: \$22.50 in cash or

Share Alternative: 0.8269 Barrick Gold Corporation (ABX) Common Shares and U.S. \$0.05 in casl

No fractional ABX Shares will be issued pursuant to the offer. The number of ABX Common Shares to b received will either be rounded up (if the fractional interest is 0.5 or more) or down (if the fractional intere is less than 0.05) and the amount of cash to be received will correspondingly be either decreased or increase (on the basis of \$27.20 per Barrick Gold Common Share).

Non - electing PDG Shareholders will be deemed to have elected the Share Alternative

Pending Contract Adjustments

Pursuant to Options Clearing Corporation (OCC) by-laws, all outstanding Placer dome, Inc. options will t adjusted as follows:

Adjustment Date: Effective the opening of the business day after the compulsory acquisition is completed

ISE Underlying Symbol: PDG becomes PMY

ISE Commodity Code: PMY - 4101

OPRA Option Symbols: PDG Becomes PMY VDG Becomes ZZO

YDI Becomes LZO

Strike Prices: No Change No. Of Contracts: No Change

Multiplier: 100*(eg., Premium of 1.00 = \$100)

New Deliverable/Contract: The deliverable for adjusted Placer Dome Inc. options will be based on the

merger consideration which accrues to non-electing PDG shareholder

(stated in terms of a current 100-share PDG Deliverable)

GTC Order Cancellation:

Immediately after the ISE close on the effective date of the merger, all resting orders in the PDG order book will b cancelled.

^{**}The foregoing is an unofficial summary of the terms of the Merger, prepared by the ISE for the convenience of its members. ISE accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the summary. Members should refer to the proxy statement for the authoritative description of the merger terms and conditions.

ADJUSTED EXERCISE PRICES:

Effective with the opening of business, after the date the merger is consummated, trading in PDG series will b on an adjusted basis. The strike price adjustments below are expected based on the current outstanding series Any additional PDG series added prior to the merger date will also be adjusted in the manner outlined below

Placer dome, Inc. (PDG) (Before - Date To Be Announced) 100 shares PDG Placer dome, Inc. (PMY)
(Beginning - Date To Be Announced
(See New Deliverable Above)

ISESeries	OPRA	Month	Strike	Calls/Puts	ISESeries	OPRA	Month	Strike	Calls/Puts
PDG6MAR10.0C/P	PDG	MAR	10	CB/OB	PMY6MAR10.0CX/PX	PMY	MAR	10	CB/OB
PDG6MAR12.5C/P	PDG	MAR	12 1/2	CV/OV	PMY6MAR12.5CX/PX	PMY	MAR	12 1/2	CV/OV
PDG6MAR15.0C/P	PDG	MAR	15	CC/OC	PMY6MAR15.0CX/PX	PMY	MAR	15	CC/OC
PDG6MAR17.5C/P	PDG	MAR	17 1/2	CW/OW	PMY6MAR17.5CX/PX	PMY	MAR	17 1/2	CW/OW
PDG6MAR20.0C/P	PDG	MAR	20	CD/OD	PMY6MAR20.0CX/PX	PMY	MAR	20	CD/OD
PDG6MAR22.5C/P	PDG	MAR	22 1/2	CX/OX	PMY6MAR22.5CX/PX	PMY	MAR	22 1/2	CX/OX
PDG6MAR25.0C/P	PDG	MAR	25	CE/OE	PMY6MAR25.0CX/PX	PMY	MAR	25	CE/OE
PDG6MAR30.0C/P	PDG	MAR	30	CF/OF	PMY6MAR30.0CX/PX	PMY	MAR	30	CF/OF
PDG6APR17.5C/P	PDG	APR	17 1/2	DW/PW	PMY6APR17.5CX/PX	PMY	APR	17 1/2	DW/PW
PDG6APR20.0C/P	PDG	APR	20	DD/PD	PMY6APR20.0CX/PX	PMY	APR	20	DD/PD
PDG6APR22.5C/P	PDG	APR	22 1/2	DX/PX	PMY6APR22.5CX/PX	PMY	APR	22 1/2	DX/PX
PDG6APR25.0C/P	PDG	APR	25	DE/PE	PMY6APR25.0CX/PX	PMY	APR	25	DE/PE
PDG6APR30.0C/P	PDG	APR	30	DF/PF	PMY6APR30.0CX/PX	PMY	APR	30	DF/PF
PDG6JUN10.0C/P	PDG	JUN	10	FB/RB	PMY6JUN10.0CX/PX	PMY	JUN	10	FB/RB
PDG6JUN12.5C/P	PDG	JUN	12 1/2	FV/RV	PMY6JUN12.5CX/PX	PMY	JUN	12 1/2	FV/RV
PDG6JUN15.0C/P	PDG	JUN	15	FC/RC	PMY6JUN15.0CX/PX	PMY	JUN	15	FC/RC
PDG6JUN17.5C/P	PDG	JUN	17 1/2	FW/RW	PMY6JUN17.5CX/PX	PMY	JUN	17 1/2	FW/RW
PDG6JUN20.0C/P	PDG	JUN	20	FD/RD	PMY6JUN20.0CX/PX	PMY	JUN	20	FD/RD
PDG6JUN22.5C/P	PDG	JUN	22 1/2	FX/RX	PMY6JUN22.5CX/PX	PMY	JUN	22 1/2	FX/RX
PDG6JUN25.0C/P	PDG	JUN	25	FE/RE	PMY6JUN25.0CX/PX	PMY	JUN	25	FE/RE
PDG6JUN30.0C/P	PDG	JUN	30	FF/RF	PMY6JUN30.0CX/PX	PMY	JUN	30	FF/RF
PDG6SEP20.0C/P	PDG	SEP	20	ID/UD	PMY6SEP20.0CX/PX	PMY	SEP	20	ID/UD
PDG6SEP22.5C/P	PDG	SEP	22 1/2	IX/UX	PMY6SEP22.5CX/PX	PMY	SEP	22 1/2	IX/UX
PDG6SEP25.0C/P	PDG	SEP	25	IE/UE	PMY6SEP25.0CX/PX	PMY	SEP	25	IE/UE
PDG6SEP30.0C/P	PDG	SEP	30	IF/UF	PMY6SEP30.0CX/PX	PMY	SEP	30	IF/UF
PDG6SEP35.0C/P	PDG	SEP	35	IG/UG	PMY6SEP35.0CX/PX	PMY	SEP	35	IG/UG

Placer Dome, Inc. - 2007 Leap (PDG/VDG) (Before - Date To Be Announced) 100 shares PDG

Placer Dome, Inc. - 2007 Leap (PMY/ZZO) (Beginning - Date To Be Announced (See New Deliverable Above)

ISESeries	OPRA	Month	Strike	Calls/Puts	ISESeries	OPRA	Month	Strike	Calls/Puts
PDG7JAN10.0C/P	VDG	JAN	10	AB/MB	PMY7JAN10.0CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	10	AB/MB
PDG7JAN12.5C/P	VDG	JAN	12 1/2	AV/MV	PMY7JAN12.5CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	12 1/2	AV/MV
PDG7JAN15.0C/P	VDG	JAN	15	AC/MC	PMY7JAN15.0CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	15	AC/MC
PDG7JAN17.5C/P	VDG	JAN	17 1/2	AW/MW	PMY7JAN17.5CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	17 1/2	AW/MW
PDG7JAN20.0C/P	VDG	JAN	20	AD/MD	PMY7JAN20.0CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	20	AD/MD
PDG7JAN22.5C/P	VDG	JAN	22 1/2	AX/MX	PMY7JAN22.5CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	22 1/2	AX/MX
PDG7JAN25.0C/P	VDG	JAN	25	AE/ME	PMY7JAN25.0CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	25	AE/ME
PDG7JAN30.0C/P	VDG	JAN	30	AF/MF	PMY7JAN30.0CX/PX	ZZO	JAN	30	AF/MF

Placer Dome, Inc. - 2008 Leap (PDG/YDI) (Before - Date To Be Announced) 100 shares PDG Placer Dome, Inc. - 2008 Leap (PMY/LZO) (Beginning - Date To Be Announced (See New Deliverable Above)

ISESeries	OPRA	Month	Strike	Calls/Puts	ISESeries	OPRA	Month	Strike	Calls/Puts
PDG8JAN5.0C/P	YDI	JAN	5	AA/MA	PMY8JAN5.0CX/PX	LZO	JAN	5	AA/MA
PDG8JAN10.0C/P	YDI	JAN	10	AB/MB	PMY8JAN10.0CX/PX	LZO	JAN	10	AB/MB
PDG8JAN12.5C/P	YDI	JAN	12 1/2	AV/MV	PMY8JAN12.5CX/PX	LZO	JAN	12 1/2	AV/MV
PDG8JAN15.0C/P	YDI	JAN	15	AC/MC	PMY8JAN15.0CX/PX	LZO	JAN	15	AC/MC
PDG8JAN17.5C/P	YDI	JAN	17 1/2	AW/MW	PMY8JAN17.5CX/PX	LZO	JAN	17 1/2	AW/MW
PDG8JAN20.0C/P	YDI	JAN	20	AD/MD	PMY8JAN20.0CX/PX	LZO	JAN	20	AD/MD
PDG8JAN25.0C/P	YDI	JAN	25	AE/ME	PMY8JAN25.0CX/PX	LZO	JAN	25	AE/ME

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