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A Rapidly Growing International Gold Company

**H1, 2005 Highlights**

Board approves construction of Goldex mine

LaRonde mine drives strong earnings and cash flows

Drilling on Pinos Altos project returns high grade gold intercepts

Initial acceptance, plus AEM s holding in RHYT, totals 49.6%.

Bid period extended to Sept. 23, 2005

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Exploration Success Creating Shareholder Value

**H1, 2005 Financial Results**

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<b>Earnings (millions)</b>	\$	23.2
<b>Earnings per share</b>	\$	0.27
<b>Cash flow provided by operating activities (millions)</b>	\$	47.2
<b>Cash &amp; equivalents June 30, 2005 (millions)</b>	\$	120.8

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**H1, 2005 Operating Results**

<b>Gold (ounces)</b>		117,081
<b>Silver (ounces in thousands)</b>		2,302
<b>Zinc (pounds in thousands)</b>		85,488
<b>Copper (pounds in thousands)</b>		7,694
<b>Minesite costs per ton (C\$)</b>	\$	49
<b>Total cash costs (\$/oz)</b>	\$	84

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Low Cost LaRonde Mine Helps Fund Growth

**LaRonde Performing Well**

**Total Production Costs (US\$/oz)**  
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**Tons per Day - LaRonde**  
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**Total Cash Costs (US\$/oz)**  
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Source: Company Reports. Peer Group: Agnico-Eagle, Barrick, Cambior, Goldcorp, Glamis, Eldorado, Newmont, Placer Dome, IAMGOLD, Meridian

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Low Cost LaRonde Mine Helps Fund Growth

**Full Year 2005 Forecast**

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**Date of Forecast** June 30, 2005

<b>Tons per day</b>		7,975
<b>Payable production:</b>	<b>Au (ounces)</b>	250,000 to 260,000
	<b>Ag (ounces in thousands)</b>	5,000
	<b>Cu (pounds in thousands)</b>	17,000
	<b>Zn (pounds in thousands)</b>	166,000
<b>Minesite costs / ton (C\$)</b>		\$48-\$50
<b>Total cash costs / oz (US\$)</b>		below \$100

<b>Assumptions (US\$)</b>		
<b>Gold (\$/oz)</b>	\$	423
<b>Silver (\$/oz)</b>	\$	7.03
<b>Zinc (\$/lb)</b>	\$	0.57
<b>Copper (\$/lb)</b>	\$	1.56
<b>US \$/ C\$</b>	\$	1.21

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**Global Growth**

**LaRonde is a Strong Foundation**

Pro-mining environments with low political risk

Projects well matched to our technical skills

Favourable geology with camp potential    growing gold resources

Excellent infrastructure nearby

Large property positions & database    aggressive exploration program

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**Goldex Mine**

**New Gold Mine Under Construction**

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Large Pipeline of New Gold Projects

**Key Attributes**

Most advanced project in Agnico-Eagle's pipeline

Short pre-production period 3 years

Simple ore body geometry, utilizing existing infrastructure

Economies of scale 7,500 tpd design

Metallurgically simple

Synergies with nearby LaRonde operating staff

Exploration upside open at depth

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Building from Strength

**New Gold Mine Under Construction**

Reserves: 22.1 million tons at 0.07 oz/ton or 1.6 million ounces

Base case \$400 gold, 1.30 C\$/US\$

Base case IRR 15% after tax

Estimated capital cost \$135 million

Estimated minesite operating costs C\$17/ton

Estimated production in H2, 2008

Estimated average annual production of 170,000 ounces of gold

Estimated average total cash costs \$200/oz

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**Robust Economics**

Grade Variance	Gold Price \$/oz								
	300	325	350	375	400	425	450	475	500
<b>+10%</b>	6.1%	9.8%	13.4%	16.6%	<b>19.5%</b>	22.4%	25.1%	27.1%	28.8%
<b>+5%</b>	3.9%	7.7%	11.2%	14.5%	<b>17.3%</b>	20.2%	22.9%	25.1%	26.8%
<b>Base Case Grade</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>12.2%</b>	<b>15.0%</b>	<b>17.9%</b>	<b>20.6%</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>24.7%</b>
<b>-5%</b>	-0.9%	3.0%	6.5%	9.8%	<b>12.7%</b>	15.5%	18.2%	20.8%	22.6%
<b>-10%</b>	-3.6%	0.4%	4.0%	7.3%	<b>10.2%</b>	13.0%	15.7%	18.2%	20.4%



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Never Gives Away the Upside to Gold

**Summary and Conclusions**

Robust economics

Experienced mine building team

Pro-mining region, qualified labour available

Straightforward metallurgy & mine plan

Financed internally

While extensively sampled, potential upside on grade as bulk sample and wall chip program returned higher grades than reserve grade

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Large Pipeline of New Gold Projects

**Lapa**

**Potentially the Second New Mine**

Probable reserve: 1.2 million oz

Indicated resource of 0.8 million tons at 0.16 oz/ton, or 0.13 million oz

Inferred resource of 1.9 million tons at 0.22 oz/ton, or 0.41 million oz

\$30 million shaft sinking, underground program in progress Phase 1

additional \$80 million to reach full production Phase 2

Potential production of 1,500 tpd and 125,000 ounces per year at total cash costs below \$200/oz

Feasibility complete in H2, 2006

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Low Cost LaRonde Mine Helps Fund Growth

**LaRonde II**

**Long Life Mine**

Large gold reserve and ongoing resource conversion

Higher NSR values at depth in polymetallic envelope

Pre-feasibility expected in Q4, 2005, including engineering of preferred access option

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**Trend**

**thicker and higher grade**

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**New Exploration Results**

**Longitudinal view, looking North**

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Building from Strength

**Riddarhyttan Resources AB - Finland**

**Potential Acquisition in 2005**

Initial acceptance, plus AEM's holding, totals 49.6%.

Tender period now extended to Sept. 23, 2005

If bid successful, expected to be completed in 2005

Suurikuusikko deposit remains open for expansion

5 drills in operation

Adjacent to major infrastructure

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Source: GTK, geological survey of Finland

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**Suurikuusikko Project - Northern Finland**

**Resource Open For Expansion**

Shear hosted disseminated gold deposit

Strike length: 2.6 miles

Open at depth and along strike

	<b>Gold oz/ton</b>	<b>Tons (millions)</b>	<b>Ounces (millions)</b>
Measured Resource*	0.20	2.5	0.50
Indicated Resource*	0.16	9.3	1.53
Inferred Resource*	0.14	12.5	1.70

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\* As calculated by Riddarhyttan

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Building a Multi-Mine Platform

**Pinos Altos Mexico**

**High Grade Precious Metals Values**

Indicated gold resource\* of 4.4 million tons at 0.18 oz/ton, or 0.8 million oz

Inferred gold resource\* of 2.5 million tons at 0.18 oz/ton, or 0.4 million oz

Indicated silver resource\* of 4.4 million tons at 3.8 oz/ton, or 17 million oz

Inferred silver resource\* of 2.5 million tons at 3.4 oz/ton, or 8.4 million oz

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\* As calculated by Peñoles

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**Pinos Altos Mexico**

Under option agreement with Peñoles - \$2.8 million program with \$0.8 million remaining to be spent

Can acquire property for \$39 million plus 1.8 million Agnico-Eagle shares by mid-December, 2005

Deposit open as mineralization encountered outside of current resource outline

Latest drilling returns high grade precious metal values

Six drills in operation

Adjacent to infrastructure

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Never Gives Away the Upside to Gold

**Summary**

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LaRonde generating strong earnings and cash flows

New gold mine under construction at Goldex

Potential second new mine at Lapa by 2008

Good track record of increasing reserves

Exciting growth opportunities at LaRonde II, Suurikuusikko and Pinos Altos

Largest exploration budget in Agnico-Eagle's history

**Total Agnico-Eagle Reserves**

(Millions of Ounces)

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