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International Tower Hill Mines Intersects 33.5 Metres of 8.07 g/t Gold in Shallow Drilling at the Livengood Project, Alaska

Vancouver, B.C.....International Tower Hill Mines Ltd. (“ITH” or the “Company”) - (TSX: ITH, NYSE-A: THM, Frankfurt: IW9) is pleased to announce the results from a further 29 holes drilled during the Company’s 2011 Winter Drill Program at the Livengood Gold Project near Fairbanks, Alaska. The winter drill program, which began in February, is focused on confirming the continuity and grade of the mineralization in the Southwest (SW), South Core and Sunshine zones of the Money Knob deposit, as well as follow-up exploration of a new, deeper, higher grade zone with a series of 500-metre core holes.

Highlights from Drilling:

- Hole MK-RC-0504: **33.5 m @ 8.07 g/t gold** from 80.8 - 114.3 m depth (infill, Core Zone)
- Hole MK-RC-0485: **93.0 m @ 1.24 g/t gold** from 178.3 - 271.3 m depth (infill, Core Zone)
- Hole MK-RC-0488: **88.4 m @ 0.94 g/t gold** from 185.9 - 274.3 m depth (infill, Core Zone)
- Hole MK-11-103: **28.6 m @ 1.83 g/t gold** from 156.4 - 185.0 m depth (infill, Core Zone)

As a continuation of the program’s initial results announced in news on March 29, 2011, these intersections are part a series of shallow infill and step out holes completed prior to deeper core drilling designed to test the deposit’s new high-grade zone at depth. Results from this series of deeper core holes are expected by the end of May.

Southern Core Zone

Eleven of the 29 holes were drilled as infill holes in the southern Core zone. Two holes (holes MK-RC-0504 and MK-RC-0485) intersected higher grade mineralization related to quartz veining, extending a zone of high-grade mineralization further to the west (see Figure 1 below). The remaining holes are similar in grade and thickness to the surrounding holes and continue to add continuity to the deposit. Assay data for four core holes testing the deep mineralization in the southern Core Zone are pending and expected to become available by the end of May.

Southwest Zone

Current drill results on the western edge of the SW zone appear to be defining a limit to the shallow oxide zone in the area; however, strong near-surface gold-in-soil anomalies located 300 to 500 metres to the west have yet to be tested. The SW zone also remains open at depth with six holes mineralized to the lower limit of drilling, potentially part of the same deep high-grade mineralized zone being explored in the south Core zone. This deeper mineralization will be targeted in follow-up drilling programs.

Jeff Pontius, Chief Executive Officer of ITH, states: “These results continue to confirm and expand our understanding of the higher grade areas of the Money Knob deposit which could form the ‘starter pit’ phase of our mining plan. We look forward to bringing more exciting drill results over the next few weeks and months, particularly from our deeper core drilling.”

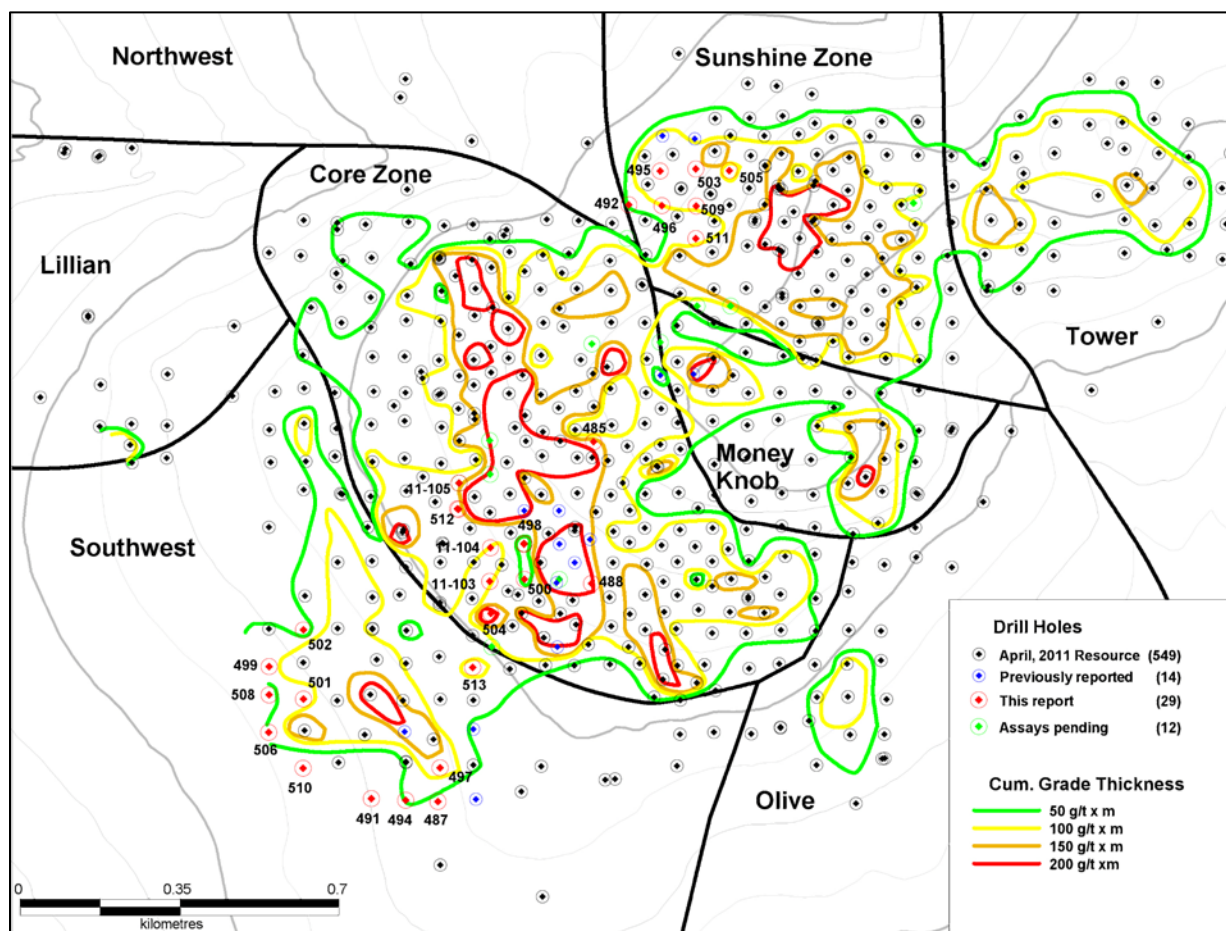


Figure 1: Plan map showing locations of drill holes reported in this news release, cumulative grade thickness contoured on collars.

Table 1: Significant new intercepts*

*Intercepts are calculated using a 0.25g/t gold cutoff and a maximum of 3 metres of internal waste.

Drill Hole	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Gold (g/t)	Area and Comments
MK-RC-0485	178.3	271.3	93.0	1.24	Core Zone infill
<i>includes</i>	179.8	195.1	15.2	3.00	
<i>includes</i>	201.2	211.8	10.7	2.05	
	272.8	283.5	10.7	0.47	
	347.5	394.7	47.3	0.87	
<i>includes</i>	361.2	368.8	7.6	2.72	
MK-RC-0487	237.7	245.4	7.6	0.33	SW Zone
MK-RC-0488	51.8	57.9	6.1	0.82	Core Zone infill
	153.9	181.4	27.4	0.56	
	185.9	274.3	88.4	0.94	
<i>includes</i>	239.3	256.0	16.8	1.75	
	278.9	320.0	41.2	0.72	

Drill Hole	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Gold (g/t)	Area and Comments
<i>includes</i>	278.9	283.5	4.6	3.02	
	324.6	349.0	24.4	1.80	
	353.6	362.7	9.1	0.71	
	365.8	413.0	47.2	0.65	
<i>includes</i>	391.7	402.3	10.7	1.09	
MK-RC-0491	152.4	161.5	9.1	0.44	SW Zone
MK-RC-0492	117.4	126.5	9.1	1.01	Sunshine infill
	134.1	147.8	13.7	1.51	
<i>includes</i>	134.1	138.7	4.6	2.92	
	153.9	166.1	12.2	0.70	
	195.1	225.6	30.5	0.71	
MK-RC-0493	70.1	79.3	9.2	0.50	Core Zone infill
	105.2	109.7	4.6	0.58	lost, redrilled as 498
	112.8	120.4	7.6	0.51	
	125.0	134.1	9.1	0.61	
MK-RC-0494	94.5	99.1	4.6	4.03	SW Zone
	189.0	214.9	25.9	0.46	
MK-RC-0495	30.5	71.6	41.2	0.64	Sunshine infill
	76.2	86.9	10.7	0.56	
	93.0	150.9	57.9	0.76	
	155.5	166.1	10.7	0.71	
	201.2	257.6	56.4	0.41	
MK-RC-0496	108.2	125.0	16.8	1.61	Sunshine infill
<i>includes</i>	108.2	111.3	3.1	6.79	
	138.7	157.0	18.3	0.59	
	164.6	199.6	35.1	0.53	
	205.7	263.7	57.9	0.59	
MK-RC-0497	179.8	195.1	15.2	0.68	SW Zone
	278.9	291.1	12.2	0.49	
	300.2	318.5	18.3	0.34	
	332.2	341.4	9.2	0.84	
MK-RC-0497	342.9	352.0	9.1	0.74	
(cont)	356.6	381.0	24.4	0.85	
	385.6	419.1	33.5	0.98	
MK-RC-0498	97.5	105.2	7.6	1.12	Core Zone infill
	140.2	150.9	10.7	0.45	lost hole

Drill Hole	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Gold (g/t)	Area and Comments
MK-RC-499	112.8	131.1	18.3	0.87	SW Zone
	172.2	184.4	12.2	0.80	
	195.1	213.4	18.3	0.67	
	243.8	285.0	41.2	0.51	
	307.9	327.7	19.8	0.66	
MK-RC-500	143.3	150.9	7.6	1.33	Core Zone pre-collar, core tail pending
MK-RC-501	109.7	114.3	4.6	3.06	SW Zone
	234.7	275.8	41.1	0.69	
<i>includes</i>	249.9	254.5	4.6	2.35	
	312.4	326.1	13.7	0.61	
MK-RC-502	213.4	224.0	10.7	0.55	SW Zone
	225.6	239.3	13.7	0.62	
	246.9	260.6	13.7	0.42	
MK-RC-503	27.4	38.1	10.7	0.68	Sunshine infill
	56.4	70.1	13.7	1.36	
	77.7	85.3	7.6	1.23	
	96.0	102.1	6.1	0.99	
	121.9	144.8	22.9	0.71	
	146.3	198.1	51.8	0.82	
	236.2	243.8	7.6	0.76	
<i>includes</i>	161.5	167.6	6.1	1.82	
MK-RC-504	80.8	114.3	33.5	8.07	Core Zone infill
<i>includes</i>	80.8	96.0	15.2	14.59	
<i>includes</i>	99.1	111.3	12.2	3.73	
	155.5	164.6	9.1	0.50	
	169.2	178.3	9.2	0.55	
	189.0	211.8	22.9	0.47	
	277.4	315.5	38.1	0.56	
	339.9	356.6	16.8	0.86	
MK-RC-505	45.7	76.2	30.5	0.74	Sunshine infill
	93.0	135.6	42.7	0.94	
<i>includes</i>	96.0	99.1	3.1	6.47	
MK-RC-506	291.1	300.2	9.2	1.18	SW Zone
	303.3	324.6	21.3	1.25	
<i>includes</i>	318.5	324.6	6.1	1.88	

Drill Hole	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Gold (g/t)	Area and Comments
MK-RC-507	30.5	33.5	3.1	2.13	Core Zone infill, lost hole re-drilled as 512
	121.9	150.9	29.0	0.65	
	175.3	192.0	16.8	0.44	
	196.6	234.7	38.1	1.14	
<i>includes</i>	205.7	211.8	6.1	3.91	
MK-RC-508	86.9	93.0	6.1	0.95	SW Zone
	292.6	312.4	19.8	0.52	
	326.1	342.9	16.8	0.43	
MK-RC-509	111.3	121.9	10.7	0.78	Sunshine infill
	167.6	251.5	83.8	0.84	
<i>includes</i>	219.5	233.2	13.7	1.07	
	265.2	285.0	19.8	0.65	
MK-RC-510	41.2	45.7	4.6	0.91	SW Zone
	53.3	57.9	4.6	1.41	
MK-RC-511	7.6	13.7	6.1	1.55	Sunshine infill
	51.8	64.0	12.2	0.49	
	192.0	236.2	44.2	0.80	
<i>includes</i>	205.7	214.9	9.1	1.37	
	245.4	256.0	10.7	0.51	
	260.6	272.8	12.2	1.46	
<i>includes</i>	262.1	269.8	7.6	1.91	
MK-RC-512	29.0	33.5	4.6	1.06	Core Zone infill
	146.3	182.9	36.6	0.44	
	184.4	201.2	16.8	0.50	
	204.2	242.3	38.1	0.43	
	265.2	286.5	21.3	1.14	
<i>includes</i>	278.9	281.9	3.1	3.35	
	289.6	315.5	25.9	0.55	
MK-RC-513	97.5	108.2	10.7	1.45	SW Zone
	208.8	231.7	22.9	0.86	
	240.8	243.8	3.1	3.54	
	260.6	291.1	30.5	0.46	
	298.7	320.0	21.3	0.49	
	350.5	378.0	27.4	0.48	
MK-11-103	156.4	185.0	28.6	1.83	Core Zone infill, lost hole
	187.2	194.6	7.4	0.63	

Drill Hole	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Gold (g/t)	Area and Comments
MK-11-104	no significant intercepts				Core Zone, lost, re-drill as 11-108 (assays pending)
MK-11-105	94.3	102.6	8.3	0.74	Core Zone infill, lost hole
	107.9	117.6	9.7	0.89	

Livengood Project Highlights

- ITH controls 100% of its approximately 145 square kilometre Livengood land package, which is made up of fee land leased from the Alaska Mental Health Trust, a number of smaller private mineral leases and 115 Alaska state mining claims.
- The Livengood project has a very favourable logistical location, being situated 110 road kilometres north of Fairbanks, Alaska, along the paved, all-weather Elliott Highway, the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Corridor, and the proposed Alaska natural gas pipeline route. The terminus of the Alaska State power grid lies approximately 80 kilometres to the south.
- Drilling at the project continues to expand the deposit, with the current estimated resource only representing a snapshot in time. The latest resource estimate (as at April 12, 2011) of 397 Mt at an average grade of 0.83 g/t gold (10.6M oz Measured and Indicated) and 104 Mt at an average grade of 0.79 g/t gold (2.7M oz Inferred), both at a 0.5 g/t gold cut-off grade, makes it one of the largest new gold discoveries in North America.
- The Core and Sunshine zones together account for most of the higher grade mineralization (Measured and Indicated Resources of 193 Mt at an average grade of 1.08 g/t gold and Inferred Resources of 41 Mt at an average grade of 1.11g/t gold, based on a cut-off grade of 0.70 g/t gold) and will form the basis for starter pit design work.
- Ongoing metallurgical studies are focused on the potential use of milling with a flotation-gravity circuit, which has returned initial recoveries to a concentrate of 89%, offering significant potential for operational and capital cost savings. Test data for conventional whole ore milling with a gravity-CIL system produced initial recoveries of 76% (See NR10-19). Optimization work is ongoing for these processing alternatives, as they have the potential to make significant positive impacts on project economics.
- The geometry of the currently defined shallowly dipping, outcropping deposit has a low strip ratio amenable to low cost open pit mining which could support a high production rate and economies of scale.
- No major permitting hurdles have been identified to date.

Geological Overview

The Livengood Deposit is hosted in a thrust-interleaved sequence of Proterozoic to Palaeozoic sedimentary and volcanic rocks. Mineralization is related to a 90 million year old (Fort Knox age) dike swarm that cuts through the thrust stack. Primary ore controls are a combination of favourable lithologies and crosscutting structural zones. In areas distal to the main structural zones, the selective development of disseminated mineralization in favourable host rocks is the main ore control. Within the primary structural corridors, all lithologies can be pervasively altered and mineralized. Devonian volcanic rocks and Cretaceous dikes represent the most favourable host lithologies and are pervasively altered and mineralized throughout the deposit. Two dominant structural controls are present: 1) the major shallow south-dipping faults which host dikes and mineralization which are related to dilatant movement on structures of the original fold-thrust architecture during post-thrusting relaxation, and 2) steep NW

trending linear zones which focus the higher-grade mineralization which cuts across all lithologic boundaries. The net result is broad flat-lying zones of stratabound mineralization around more vertically continuous, higher grade core zones with a resulting lower strip ratio for the overall deposit and higher grade areas that could be amenable for starter pit production.

The surface gold geochemical anomaly at Livengood covers an area 6 kilometres long by 2 kilometres wide, of which approximately half has been explored by drilling to date. Surface exploration is ongoing as new targets are being developed to the northeast and west of the known deposit.

Qualified Person and Quality Control/Quality Assurance

Jeffrey A. Pontius (CPG 11044), a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, has supervised the preparation of the scientific and technical information that forms the basis for this news release and has approved the disclosure herein. Mr. Pontius is not independent of ITH, as he is the CEO and holds common shares and incentive stock options.

Development work at the Livengood Project is directed by Carl E. Brechtel (Colorado PE 23212, Nevada PE 8744), who is a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101. He is a member of AusIMM and SAIMM. Mr. Brechtel is not independent of ITH, as he is the President and COO and holds incentive stock options.

The work program at Livengood was designed and is supervised by Chris Puchner, Chief Geologist (CPG 07048) of the Company, who is responsible for all aspects of the work, including the quality control/quality assurance program. On-site personnel at the project photograph the core from each individual borehole prior to preparing the split core. Duplicate reverse circulation drill samples are collected with one split sent for analysis. Representative chips are retained for geological logging. On-site personnel at the project log and track all samples prior to sealing and shipping. All sample shipments are sealed and shipped to ALS Chemex in Fairbanks, Alaska for preparation and then on to ALS Chemex in Reno, Nevada or Vancouver, B.C. for assay. ALS Chemex's quality system complies with the requirements for the International Standards ISO 9001:2000 and ISO 17025:1999. Analytical accuracy and precision are monitored by the analysis of reagent blanks, reference material and replicate samples. Quality control is further assured by the use of international and in-house standards. Finally, representative blind duplicate samples are forwarded to ALS Chemex and an ISO compliant third party laboratory for additional quality control.

About International Tower Hill Mines Ltd.

International Tower Hill Mines controls a 100% interest in the world-class Livengood Gold Project accessible by paved highway 70 miles north of Fairbanks, Alaska. ITH is focused on the rapid advancement of the project into a compelling potential development project in 2011 while it continues to expand its current resource and explore its 145 km² district for new deposits.

On behalf of

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