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**CHURCHILL MINING PLC**

**(“Churchill” or “the Company”)**

**Board changes**

Churchill Mining Plc (AIM: CHL) today announces the following board changes to the Company.

Mr. Faroek Basrewan, aged 52, has today been appointed as a non-executive director, replacing Melissa Sturgess, who has stepped down from the Board. Melissa will remain closely associated with the Company in a consulting capacity.

Mr Basrewan specialises in dealing with the various levels of Indonesian central, provincial and local government. A graduate in law from Indonesian Christian University, Mr Basrewan has had a long and distinguished career in general mediation and dispute resolution, government and regulatory relations within Indonesia. Mr Basrewan has distinguished himself in service to Indonesia as Special Staff to the Minister of Defence and has carried out various assignments for the Indonesian Government over many years. He was the Special Assistant to the first democratically elected Indonesian President, Abdul Rachman Wahid (Gustur). He is currently Special Advisor and Special Assistant to Dr Alwi Shihab, the Indonesia President’s Envoy to the Middle East.

In addition, James Hamilton has moved from his position as joint managing director to executive director. Paul Mazak will continue as managing director in a sole capacity.

Non-executive chairman David Quinlivan commented: “We welcome Faroek as a non-executive director who will be a great asset to the Company in developing our Indonesian coal projects and relationships. We also thank Melissa for her contribution to the Company since its flotation on AIM.”

Additional information:

There is no further information required in accordance with schedule 2 paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules in relation to Mr Basrewan.

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## **Notes to editors**

Churchill Mining Plc listed on AIM in April 2005. Its principle operations are the South Woodie Woodie manganese project in Australia and the Sendawar and East Kutai projects in Indonesia.

### **South Woodie Woodie**

The South Woodie Woodie project covers approximately 490 square kilometres in the East Pilbara region of Western Australia. Owned via Churchill Mining's wholly owned subsidiary, Planet Mining Pty Ltd, the project sits approximately 400km southeast of Port Hedland in the highly prospective Pilbara manganese province. Churchill owns the project 100%. To date much of the project area has never been explored due to the presence of surface cover.

### **Sendawar**

The Sendawar project in Kalimantan, Indonesia, covers more than 800 square kilometres of prospective ground and lies in close proximity to two operating open-cut mines: Thai miner Banpu's newly commissioned Trubaindo operation and the privately-owned Gunung Bayan mine which has been operating since 1998 and produces approximately 3.4 million tpa. Coal from these mines is transported by barge via the Mahakam River to the port of Samarinda. In September, Churchill announced that its project was prospective for coal bed methane and was awarded Indonesia's first CBM Joint Evaluation Agreement license.

### **East Kutai**

Churchill announced on 15 February 2007 that it had signed an Exclusivity Agreement with PT Techno Coal Utama to enable it to conduct due diligence work on the thermal coal project. In May 2007 Churchill announced a sales agreement had been entered into to purchase a 75% interest in the Project.