

17 April 2009

CHURCHILL MINING PLC
("Churchill" or "the Company")

DIRECTOR RESIGNATION

Churchill Mining Plc (AIM: CHL) today announces that Mr James Hamilton has stepped down from his position as a Non-Executive Director on the Company's Board.

Mr Hamilton has resigned from the Churchill Board to focus on his role as Executive Chairman of ASX-listed manganese and coal explorer, Spitfire Resources Limited (ASX: SPI).

Mr Hamilton, who co-founded Churchill Mining in 2005 has played a key role in assisting with the Company's listing on AIM and steering the Company's growth through his service in a variety of roles - both executive and non-executive.

The Non-executive Chairman of Churchill Mining, David Quinlivan, commented:
"James has been a driving force behind the growth and development of Churchill right from its earliest, most formative stages and, on behalf of the Board, I would like to thank him for his considerable contribution. With Churchill now firmly established on a long-term growth path, James will be focusing his energies on Spitfire Resources - something we are most supportive of given Churchill is Spitfire's biggest shareholder."

ENDS

Churchill Mining Plc

Managing Director - Paul G. Mazak
+62 81510539186 / + 62 21 39832398

paul.mazak@churchillmining.com

Blue Oar Securities

Shane Gallwey
+44(0)20 7448 4400

Olly Cairns
+61 (0)8 6430 1631

Pelham PR

Candice Sgroi
+44 (0) 20 7743 6376

Notes to editors

Churchill Mining Plc listed on AIM in April 2005.

East Kutai Coal Project

In May 2007 Churchill announced a sales agreement had been entered into to purchase a 75% interest in the East Kutai Coal Project from PT Techno Coal Utama.

Churchill has now extended the size of the project by 200 square kilometres by acquiring a 75% interest in the abutting tenements to the west of EKCP from the Investmine Group of Indonesia. Resource drilling continues along with detailed scoping and pre-feasibility work.

In 2008 the Company released an updated JORC Resource Statement defining 1.4 billion tonnes of thermal coal reserves and resources.

END.