

NEWS UPDATE**MEC Geologist Sainizaya Tumor named “Best Geologist of Mongolia”**

February 09, 2010 – MEC’s own geologist Ms. Sainizaya Tumor has been named recently the “Best Geologist of Mongolia” by the Government of Mongolia in recognition for her outstanding contribution to geological advancement in Mongolia.

Ms. Tumor was presented the “Best Geologist of Mongolia Medal” by Order No. 322 in December 2009 by the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy of Mongolia.

Ms. Tumor graduated with a Master’s Degree in Geology from the Mongolian Polytechnic University in 1986. Between 1988 and 2006, she worked as a mineralogist / engineer at the Central Laboratory of Mongolia. Before she joined MEC in early 2008, she was a geochemist for Batu Mining LLC responsible for analyzing samples in field camps. For MEC, she has supervised field analytical work in the past two field seasons in the remote Gobi Altai camp and made immense contribution to the Company’s various exploration programs.

Mr. James Schaeffer Jr., Chief Executive Officer of MEC, said, “We are delighted that Ms. Tumor’s contribution to geology is recognized by the Government of Mongolia. It is also our great pride to have such an outstanding geologist on the MEC team and we look forward to continuing to work closely with Ms. Tumor in growing the operations and business of MEC.”

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