



Midway Gold Provides Financing Update

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Denver, Colorado— Midway Gold Corp. ("Midway" or the "Company") (MDW:TSX-V; MDW:NYSE-AMEX) confirms that due to market conditions, the Company has no current intention of issuing new common shares under the ATM stock issuance program it previously announced September 23, 2011.

"We take our responsibility to increase shareholder value and minimize dilution seriously," said Dan Wolfus, Chairman and CEO. "We will continue to monitor market conditions and our share price and to review all financing options including the ATM program and implement those that are appropriate for the prevailing market conditions."

The Company has sufficient cash to proceed with its planned activities through late 2012, including permitting of its Pan Project and advancement of its other Nevada properties.

The Company has received term sheets for the debt portion of the capital required to place the Pan Project into production. The Company is negotiating with potential lenders to finance up to 60% of the total capital required and will provide further guidance on completion of the Pan Feasibility Study, expected to be released in mid-November.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

"Daniel E. Wolfus"

Daniel E. Wolfus, Chairman, CEO and Director

About Midway Gold Corp.

Midway Gold Corp. is a precious metals company with a vision to explore, design, build, and operate gold mines in a manner accountable to all stakeholders while producing an acceptable return to its shareholders. For more information about Midway, please visit our website at www.midwaygold.com or contact R.J. Smith, Vice President of Administration, at (877) 475-3642 (toll-free).

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