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## NEWS RELEASE

### OLYMPUS COMMENCES MALAYSIAN GOLDFIELD FEASIBILITY

**Toronto, September 8, 2011**-Olympus Pacific Minerals Inc. (TSX & ASX: OYM, OTCBB: OLYMF, and Frankfurt: OP6) (the "Company" or "Olympus ") Chief Executive Officer, John Seton is pleased to announce the Company's plan to move the Bau Central Gold Project in Malaysia into feasibility, with the objective of achieving a favourable development decision targeting stage one production of 100,000 oz of gold per annum by 2014.

The Bau Goldfield is in Sarawak, East Malaysia and is spread over a large geographic area, in which the Company owns existing mining rights containing a current JORC/NI43-101 gold resource of 0.56M oz *indicated* (10,963 tonnes @ 1.60g/t Au) and 1.89M oz *inferred* (35,808,000 tonnes @ 1.64g/t Au). This resource is in multiple deposits at varying levels of development and resource status. (See *Olympus press release dated June 24, 2010*).

Exploration, mining feasibility, and environmental studies are now in progress to further expand the resource base, determine the best development route and examine the issues involved in developing multiple deposits in a sequential manner.

#### BAU CENTRAL

##### Jugan Deposit

Jugan is a near surface deposit, which conceptual mining studies have indicated is amenable to rapid development at relatively low capital cost. Since Jugan is the most advanced Bau deposit with a resource already at "Indicated" status, it is the logical deposit to develop first.

The current Jugan NI 43-101/JORC resource is as shown below:

Category	Cutoff	Tonnes	Grade g/t	Ounces
Indicated	0.75	10,963,000	1.60	563,900

The resource is open-ended, both laterally and at depth. Trenching (now in progress) is demonstrating that surface mineralization extends laterally beyond earlier assumed resource boundaries, whilst DIGHEM analysis is showing deeper zones that are yet to be closed off by drilling. Step-out drilling on these zones during 4Q, 2011 is expected to expand the Jugan resource significantly beyond the above figure.

In tandem with the above resource expansion, mining feasibility studies (including open-pit design, metallurgical, process and environmental studies) have commenced. The deposit outcrops on a low hill that is amenable to open-pit extraction, with little or no pre-stripping being first required. A prior metallurgical report by Orway Metallurgical Consultants in July 2008 indicates that the ore is responsive to concentration by gravity and flotation. This historic test work indicated flotation recoveries of 88-93% and cyanidation recoveries of 85-88% on un-optimized, oxidized concentrates. Definitive metallurgical test work is now in progress to optimize beneficiation and specify additional process options. The Jugan deposit is located within a sparsely populated and undeveloped area, where social and environmental factors are deemed favorable to early development.

The indicative development schedule provides for resource definition, mine planning, metallurgical, environmental, and feasibility studies to be completed by late 2012, followed by a construction phase during 2013 and initial production in 2014.

##### Other Bau Central Deposits

It is planned that Bau gold production may later be increased by phasing other deposits into simultaneous production.

To upgrade and expand current resources, extensive resource and exploration drilling programmes are currently in progress at BEKAJANG and TAITON. Bekajang is the site of the historic Tai Parit open-pit gold mine, which closed in 1996 after several phases of prior mining with recorded production in the order of 1.5M oz. Olympus' current drilling is revealing the potential for further production of similar size from this Sector. Results

include hole BYDDH-02: 40.00m @ 4.79 g/t Au, including 20.50 m at 6.91 g/t Au and 2.50m @ 18.64 g/t Au (See *Olympus press release dated May 19, 2011*), from which extensive step-out drilling is now in progress.

Taiton is similarly the site of extensive historic mining, principally by the British Borneo Company last century and more latterly by Bukit Young Goldmines. Olympus' drilling results to date also indicate significant further mining potential within this Sector.

Since October last year, approximately 15,000 metres of drilling has been completed within Bekajang and Taiton Sectors and a further 10,000 metres of drilling is to be completed by end 2011. Based on results from these two sectors alone, it is anticipated that a project review and a new estimate of increased and upgraded resources will be announced early in 2012.

*Company Chief Executive Officer, John Seton, said: "This is an exciting time for the company. With large projects such as Bau rapidly advancing, the company is poised to add significant shareholder value and to achieve mid tier status within the next couple of years".*

Olympus is a diversified gold company focused on three advanced properties; the Bau Goldfield in East Malaysia and Bong Mieu and Phuoc Son in central Vietnam. The Company is presently producing gold from its two plants in central Vietnam. Olympus expects to expand existing gold production capacity in Vietnam over the next two years and bring on new production at the Bau Goldfield upon completion of the Bau feasibility studies now underway. The company also contemplates a substantial increase of its attributed gold resources during 2011, through the exploration of advanced properties with demonstrably large upside potential.

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