

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) about Coeur d'Alene's 3.25% Senior Convertible Notes due 2028

When do you have to make interest payments on the notes?

The notes will bear interest at the rate of 3.25% per year. We will pay interest on the notes on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2008.

How much potential dilution is associated with this transaction?

This financing was designed to minimize dilution. The notes were structured with a "net share settlement" feature that <u>requires</u> the company to settle the principal amount <u>in cash</u>, not stock. This means that the principal, \$230 million, must be repaid in cash. The excess, if any, of the conversion value over the principal portion may be paid in cash, shares of our common stock or a combination thereof at our election. Please see page S-50, "Description of Notes", in our prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 14, 2008.

## What will you use the proceeds for?

We are using the proceeds to complete work at our San Bartolome mine in Bolivia, where we expect to produce 6 million ounces in 2008 (full year production expected to be 9 million ounces), and for construction of the Palmarejo silver and gold project in Mexico (targeted annual production of 10 million ounces of Silver and 110,000 ounces of gold). Remaining proceeds may be used to repay outstanding loan facilities we hold as a result of the Bolnisi/Palmarejo transaction (approximately \$20 million) and for general corporate purposes.

## What are the basic terms of the financing?

Each note is convertible into the equivalent of 176.03 shares. Coeur is obligated to repay the principal amount of each note in cash.

EXAMPLE: At the time of conversion, assuming Coeur's share price is \$10. This equates to \$1,760.03 in value for each note (\$10/share x 176.03 shares). Coeur is obligated to repay the \$1,000 of principal per note in cash. Coeur has the option of repaying the additional value of \$760.03 per note in cash or shares or a combination of the two. If Coeur decided to pay this additional value in shares, the company would issue 76 shares per note (\$760.03 divided by \$10). Given there are 230,000 notes outstanding, this would result in the issuance of 17.5 million new Coeur shares, which is a 3% increase in the Company's total outstanding shares. Holders of the notes are entitled to put options on March 15, 2013, 2015 and 2018 while CDE has call rights on March 22, 2015 onwards.

# Has the deal closed, and have you received all of the proceeds?

Yes and yes. We closed the deal and received the proceeds in March.

# Why is this good for shareholders?

This financing helps Coeur complete its investments in long life, low cost assets like San Bartolome and Palmarejo. We are poised to nearly triple our targeted production in the next few years. Coeur has relatively little debt, and that means that under our current balance sheet, the future returns from those projects won't have to be discounted to accommodate a high debt load. In addition, compared to other forms of financing, this instrument reflected the lowest cost of funding. Finally, Coeur was not required to hedge any future silver or gold production, thereby retaining future metals price upside for the Company's shareholders.

#### **About Coeur**

Coeur d'Alene Mines Corporation is one of the world's leading silver companies and also a significant gold producer, with anticipated 2008 production of approximately 16 million ounces of silver, a 40% increase over 2007 levels. Coeur, which has no silver or gold production hedged, is now set to commence production at the world's largest pure silver mine - San Bartolome in Bolivia - and is currently another world-leading silver mine - Palmarejo in Mexico. The Company also operates two underground mines in southern Chile and Argentina and one surface mine in Nevada; and owns non-operating interests in two low-cost mines in Australia. The Company also owns a major gold project in Alaska and conducts exploration activities in Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Mexico and Tanzania. Coeur common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CDE, the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol CDM, and its CHESS Depositary Interests are traded on the Australian Securities Exchange under symbol CXC.

#### **Cautionary Statement**

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