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## NEWS RELEASE

### Tigray Announces \$2.8 Million Non-Brokered Private Placement

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**Vancouver, BC, April 8, 2013 – Tigray Resources Inc.** (TSX-V: TIG) (“Tigray” or the “Company”) announces it is undertaking a non-brokered private placement financing of up to 18.7 million units (the “Units”) at a price of \$0.15 per Unit, for gross proceeds of up to \$2.8million (the “Offering”). Each Unit consists of one common share of the Company (a “Common Share”) and one-half of one non-transferable common share purchase warrant (a “Warrant”). Each whole Warrant will entitle the holder thereof to purchase one Common Share at an exercise price of \$0.20 for a period of 24 months from the date of closing.

Proceeds from the offering will be used for exploration on the Company's Harvest project and other exploration properties in Ethiopia, as well as for working capital purposes.

All of the securities issued in connection with this placement are subject to resale restrictions which expire four months and one day from closing. The financing remains subject to certain conditions including, but not limited to, receipt of approval from the TSX Venture Exchange.

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#### **About Tigray**

Tigray is a Canadian mineral exploration company focused on discovery through advancing early-stage mineral projects in Ethiopia. Tigray's key property is the 70%-owned Harvest polymetallic VMS exploration project, which covers 270 square kilometres in the Tigray region of Ethiopia, 600 kilometres north-northwest of the capital city of Addis Ababa. The Company recently entered into an agreement to acquire up to an 80% interest in the Adyabo property covering 623 square kilometres immediately west of the Harvest project. Tigray's shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol TIG.

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