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NEWS RELEASE

Tigray Drills 6.1 Metres of 27.2 Grams Per Tonne Gold and 13.9 Metres of 1.9% Copper, 18 Grams Per Tonne Silver and 3.6% Zinc at Terakimti Prospect, Ethiopia

Vancouver, BC, May 25, 2012 – Tigray Resources Inc. (TSX-V: TIG) (“Tigray” or the “Company”) is pleased to report diamond drill results for eight new holes in the Northern and Central Lenses at the Terakimti volcanogenic massive sulfide (VMS) copper-gold discovery on the Company's Harvest project in northern Ethiopia. A helicopter VTEM survey (1,500 line kilometres of airborne electromagnetic, magnetic and radiometric survey) was also completed recently, successfully testing 15 kilometres along strike of Terakimti and Mayshehagne, the two VMS prospects drilled so far. The data from the geophysical survey is currently being processed and preliminary targets are being investigated.

Highlights

- High-grade gold mineralization intersected near surface
- Continued development of gold grade in primary mineralization along strike of the mineralized horizon
- Drilling of the Central Lens highlights continuity with VMS mineralization intersected in five holes on section over a height of 150 metres. The target remains open down plunge
- 1,500 line kilometres of helicopter VTEM survey successfully completed

Important New Drill Intercepts

- Hole TD034 – 29.00 metres of 3.40 grams per tonne gold and 11 grams per tonne silver from surface, including 8.80 metres of 8.77 grams per tonne gold and 34 grams per tonne silver from 20.20 metres
- Hole TD053 – 6.12 metres of 27.17 grams per tonne gold and 13 grams per tonne silver from 10.88 metres
- Hole TD056 – 13.90 metres of 1.87% copper, 0.97 grams per tonne gold, 18 grams per tonne silver and 3.55% zinc from 90.45 metres, including 7.48 metres of 2.87% copper, 1.19 grams per tonne gold, 24 grams per tonne silver and 2.98% zinc from 90.45 metres
- Hole TD057 – 5.05 metres of 2.97% copper, 2.77 grams per tonne gold, 20 grams per tonne silver and 2.36% zinc from 148.80 metres

The seven drill holes highlighted in this release were focused on the Central Lens and the oxide portion of the Northern Lens (see long section). This drilling has filled a 160 metre gap in the drilling in the centre of the Terakimti VMS discovery and has added to the continuity and volume of the known extent of the Central Lens.

Table 1 – Terakimti Drill Results

Hole		From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m) *	Copper (%)	Gold (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Zinc (%)	Mineralization type
TD034		0.00	29.00	29.00	0.14	3.40	11	0.08	Oxide
	including	20.20	29.00	8.80	0.29	8.77	34	0.12	Oxide
TD053		10.88	17.00	6.12	0.19	27.17	13	0.08	Oxide
TD054		0.00	4.95	4.95	0.11	1.94	0	0.04	Oxide
		27.65	33.05	5.40	2.26	1.72	20	1.46	Supergene
TD055		98.50	104.65	6.15	1.37	0.29	5	0.30	Primary
TD056		77.65	80.45	2.8	2.6	1.26	19	3.46	Primary
		90.45	104.35	13.9	1.87	0.97	18	3.55	Primary
	including	90.45	97.93	7.48	2.87	1.19	24	2.98	Primary
TD057		140.90	143.70	2.8	2.12	3.00	33	0.72	Primary

		148.80	153.85	5.05	2.97	2.77	20	2.36	Primary
TD058		134.70	136.10	1.40	0.01	1.01	30	9.27	Primary
		144.80	147.45	2.65	0.45	4.33	58	10.00	Primary
		158.95	161.35	2.40	0.06	2.50	33	3.13	Primary
		173.95	188.70	14.75	0.44	0.94	17	0.84	Primary
	including	178.10	181.65	3.55	0.93	2.22	42	2.12	Primary

* Mineralized true thicknesses are 70 to 90% of stated thicknesses

Click [here](#) for a plan view map and long section. A complete list of drill hole intercepts can be found on the Company's website at www.tigray.ca.

Quality Control

The planning, execution and monitoring of Tigray's quality control programs at the Harvest project are under the supervision of Jeff Heidema, P.Geo., Tigray's Vice President Exploration. Mr. Heidema is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.

Diamond drill core samples have undergone preliminary preparation at the Acme Laboratories facility in Ankara, Turkey, and are crushed to 80% passing 10 mesh, and pulverized to 85% passing 200 mesh (Acme R200-1000 package). Analyses are conducted at Acme Laboratories in Vancouver, Canada, utilizing Aqua Regia digestion and ICP-ES. Precious metal analyses are conducted via Fire Assay Fusion with AAS finish, and gravimetric analyses for over-limit samples. Blanks and certified reference standards are inserted into the sample stream to monitor laboratory performance.

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 the Harvest North properties, which cover 622 square kilometres immediately west of the Harvest project. The Company's shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol TIG.

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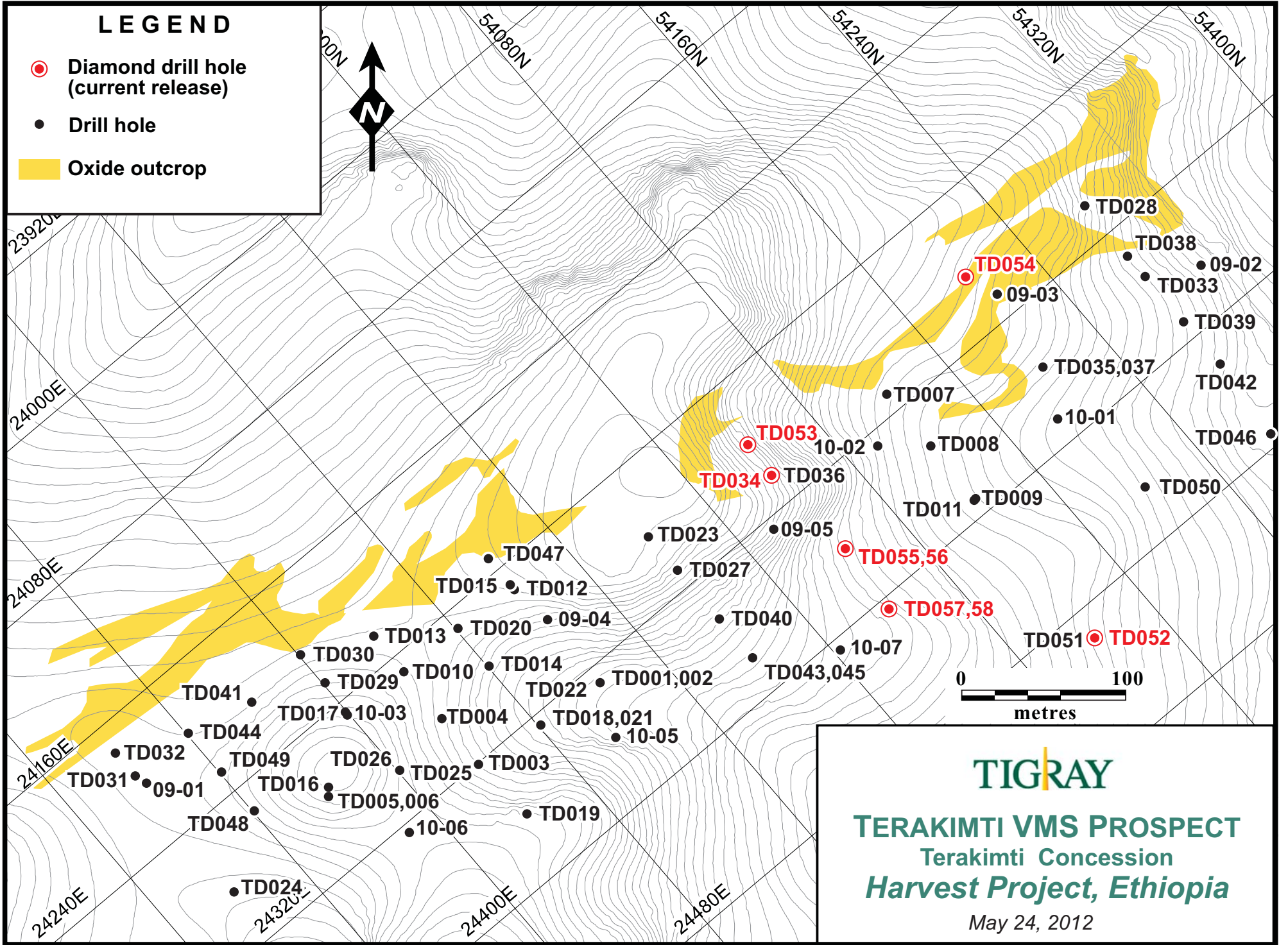
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- ◉ Diamond drill hole (current release)
- Drill hole
- Oxide outcrop



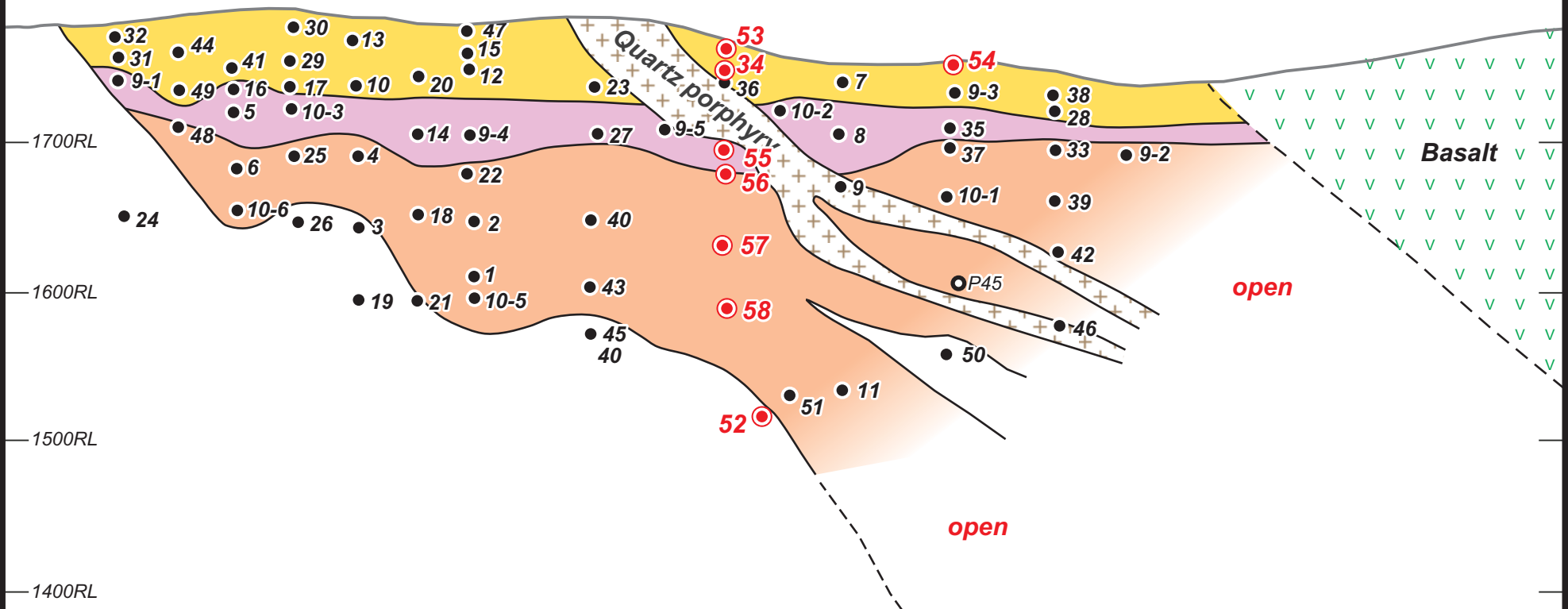
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LEGEND

- Oxide
- Supergene / transition
- Primary sulfides

Drill hole piercepoint

- Diamond drill holes - current release
(refer to accompanying table for assay results)
- Drill hole
- Planned holes

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 Long Section (looking NW)