EMGOLD MINING CORPORATION

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EMGOLD REPORTS ON ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & APPOINTS NEW CHAIRMAN

Emgold Mining Corporation (EMR-TSX Venture Exchange) is pleased to announce the results of its Annual General Meeting held in Vancouver on June 8, 2005. All resolutions were passed including the election of six directors to the Board. The Board of Directors elected at the Annual General Meeting for the next year are: Sargent H. Berner, John King Burns, Ross Guenther, Frank A. Lang, Joel D. Schneyer and William J. Witte. Upon completion of the formal proceedings of the meeting, a presentation was given outlining the activities of the past 5 quarters and the Company's plans for the future. These include further exploration, permitting and feasibility work on the Idaho-Maryland Mine in Grass Valley, California and the further development and commercialization of the CeramextTM Process for producing high quality ceramic building materials. The presentation is available for viewing on the Company's website at www.emgold.com.

Subsequent to the Annual General Meeting, the Board of Directors met and appointed the following officers and board positions: President and CEO, William J. Witte, P. Eng.; Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, Shannon Ross, CA; and Vice President of Project Development, Ian Chang, P. Eng.

John King Burns was appointed as non-executive Chairman. Board Committees were appointed and include the Audit Committee (Joel Schneyer, Chair), Corporate Governance and Compensation Committee (Sargent Berner, Chair) and the Environmental, Health and Safety Committee (William Witte, Chair). We wish to thank Mr. Frank A. Lang for his many years as an officer and Chairman of the Company. Mr. Lang remains as a director of the Company.

For more information about Emgold, the Idaho-Maryland Project and the CeramextTM Process and the Stewart, Rozan and Jazz Properties in British Columbia, please visit www.emgold.com.

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