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EXETER DRILLS CERRO PUNTUDO GOLD PROJECT, ARGENTINA

Vancouver, B.C., December 1, 2004 – Exeter Resource Corporation (TSX-V: XRC, Frankfurt: EXB) today announced that a 1,500 metre reverse circulation drilling program on its Cerro Puntudo gold-silver project in Patagonia, Argentina is expected to commence December 3rd. Initial drilling will target mineralized structural zones peripheral to the Cerro Puntudo flow dome complex.

The drilling program follows an induced polarization ("IP") survey over a portion of the six kilometre long Cerro Puntudo trend. The survey successfully defined silicification associated with known mineralization and, most significantly, identified drill targets under surface cover in areas near to known mineralization.

Cerro Puntudo is a discovery in Santa Cruz Province by Cerro Vanguardia S.A. that was prospected and sampled, but not drilled. Exeter conducted further mapping and sampling along the Cerro Puntudo trend, with positive results - see news release dated August 12, 2004. The trend comprises at least three separate, mineralized zones.

On the **Quebrada zone**, a minimum 400 metre long resistivity anomaly (open ended) correlates with outcropping mineralization. Rock chip sampling was previously reported on this zone (27 metres at an average grade of 1.9 g/t gold, 129 g/t silver and 2.3 percent lead). Four drill holes are proposed for this target.

On the **Rico zone**, the IP survey similarly delineated a minimum 400 metre long resistivity anomaly (open to the east). Rico is of particular interest, as a previously reported rock chip sample traverse assayed 5 metres at an average grade of 31 g/t gold and 29 g/t silver. Also at Rico, a channel chip sampling traverse averaged 3.5g/t gold over a length of 21 metres. Five drill holes are proposed for the Rico zone.

On the **Puntudo zone**, multiple resistivity anomalies were defined within an 800 metre long by 400 metre wide area of interest. Two of the anomalies correlate with outcropping gold mineralization. Eight drill holes are proposed to test the Puntudo zone anomalies.

IP surveying is continuing to provide coverage over the entire six kilometre long gold trend of the Cerro Puntudo project. Selected IP profiling will be conducted to define the depth continuity of the resistivity anomalies.

Exeter management believes the zones of mineralization represent excellent bulk tonnage drill targets.

Other Matters

Separately, three drill holes have been completed on the Exeter/Intrepid Minerals Rosarita epithermal gold project in San Juan Province, Argentina. Despite the presence of zones of hydrothermal alteration, early indications are that there are no significant gold values in these holes.

Finally, further to its announcement of November 18, 2004, Exeter clarifies that it paid total finder's fees of \$76,500 in connection with its private placement of 1.4 million units at \$1.00 per unit.

Qualified Person

Bryce Roxburgh, Exeter's President and CEO, a "qualified person" within the definition of that term in NI 43-101, *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects*, has supervised the preparation of the technical information contained in this news release.

About Exeter

Exeter is a Canadian company exploring epithermal gold-silver and porphyry copper-gold projects in Argentina. Exploration at Exeter's most advanced project, La Cabeza, in Mendoza Province, has delineated an inferred resource of 720,000 ounces of gold, comprising 12.0 million tonnes grading 1.8 g/t

gold, at a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t gold. Drilling for a pre-feasibility study of La Cabeza has now been completed, and an independent resource estimation is in progress. Engineering, metallurgical, hydrological and environmental work is continuing. In the highly-prospective Patagonia region of Argentina, Exeter has a strategic partnership with Cerro Vanguardia S.A, an AngloGold affiliate, which provides Exeter with an option over a large number of epithermal gold targets defined by CVSA.

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