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EXETER COMMENCES DRILLING ON SILVER PROPERTY IN ARGENTINA

Vancouver, B. C., May 4, 2006 – Exeter Resource Corporation (TSX-V: XRC, Frankfurt: EXB) announces that it has commenced drilling on the Verde epithermal silver discovery, in Patagonia, Argentina. The project is one of 12 gold and silver properties covered by Exeter's exploration agreement with Cerro Vanguardia ("CVSA"), an AngloGold Ashanti subsidiary.

The initial drilling program will comprise 30 reverse circulation drill holes. A total of 16 individual veins have been identified to date on the property, within a four square kilometre area. The siting of the drill holes will be assisted by the results of detailed ground magnetic surveying.

The Verde project is located in western Santa Cruz Province, approximately 125 kilometres northwest of the Mina Martha Silver Mine (Coeur d'Alene Mining) and Pan American Silver's recently-purchased Manantial Espejo silver project. Silver was first discovered on the property by CVSA during systematic prospecting of hydrothermal alteration zones that were identified in satellite images of the region. Extensive rock chip sampling by CVSA, and later by Exeter, in an area of scattered epithermal silica-bearing boulders returned a significant number of highly-anomalous silver samples, many of economic tenor.

Exeter Chairman Yale Simpson commented: "Verde is just one of many opportunities for gold and silver discoveries in the Patagonia region that are available to us through our strategic agreements with CVSA in Argentina, and Rio Tinto Mining and Exploration in Chile. The property is located in a known silver district and represents our first "pure silver" exploration project."

Quality Control and Assurance

Glen Van Kerkvoort, Exeter's Chief Geologist and a "qualified person" within the definition of that term in National Instrument 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 technically-advanced, Canadian gold exploration company, focused on the discovery of epithermal gold-silver properties in Argentina and Chile. The current three-rig, drilling program at its advanced La Cabeza gold project is a key component of project development activities that include engineering, metallurgical, hydrological, and environmental studies.

In the prospective, Patagonia region of Argentina, Exeter has a strategic partnership with CVSA over 12 epithermal gold-silver properties in Santa Cruz, Rio Negro and Chubut provinces.

In southern Chile, Exeter has a strategic relationship with Rio Tinto Mining and Exploration Limited on gold-silver prospects in the Patagonia region. Exeter is currently prospecting targets under this relationship and initial results will be reported in the coming weeks.

In the Maricunga district of northern Chile, Exeter has a strategic agreement with Anglo American Chile Limitada and Mantos Blancos S.A. on epithermal gold properties.

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