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Hana Mining Receives Approval from Botswana Minister of Minerals, Energy and Water Resources

Vancouver, Canada - February 8, 2013 - Hana Mining Ltd. (the "Company" or "Hana") (TSX-V: HMG)(FRANKFURT:4LH)(BOTSWANA:HANA) is pleased to announce that the Botswana Minister of Minerals, Energy and Water Resources has issued its final approval in respect of the transfer of certain Botswana prospecting licenses pursuant to the plan of arrangement (the "Arrangement") involving Hana, Cupric Canyon Capital LP ("Cupric"), Cuprous Capital Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Cupric, and Hana's securityholders.

The parties continue to work towards satisfaction and receipt of the outstanding Arrangement conditions. The closing of the Arrangement remains subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions and the final approval of the TSX Venture Exchange. The closing of the Arrangement is expected to occur in February 2013.

Under the Arrangement, shareholders of Hana will receive C$0.82 in cash for each common share of Hana, representing a premium of approximately 88% to the 20-day volume weighted average price of the Hana Shares on the TSX Venture Exchange as of October 23, 2012. The total consideration payable to Hana shareholders is approximately C$67 million and the Arrangement values Hana's equity at approximately C$82 million. Upon closing of the transaction, Cupric intends to advance the Ghanzi project through the design, construction and operational phases of its development.

Further details regarding the Arrangement are set out in the Company's notice of special meeting of securityholders and information circular dated November 16, 2012, which is available at www.sedar.com.

About Hana
The Company has been exclusively engaged in mineral exploration activity in Botswana since mid-2007, specifically targeting discovery of precious and base metals. The Company has a controlling interest in Hana Ghanzi Copper (Pty) Ltd. (formerly Stellent (Proprietary) Ltd.) who in turn controls 5 prospecting license blocks in Botswana, covering 2,149 square kilometers in area, situated south of the town of Maun. The Company’s single exploration project, the Ghanzi Copper-Silver Project, is located on this license area.

Forward-Looking Statement

Certain information contained in this news release, including any information relating to the proposed transaction (the “Transaction”) and Hana’s future financial or operating performance may be deemed “forward-looking”. These statements relate to future events or future performance and reflect Hana’s expectations regarding the Transaction, and the future growth, results of operations, business prospects and opportunities of Hana and the combined company. These forward-looking statements also reflect Hana’s current internal projections, expectations or beliefs and are based on information currently available to Hana, respectively. In some cases forward-looking information can be identified by terminology such as “may”, “will”, “should”, “expect”, “intend”, “plan”, “anticipate”, “believe”, “estimate”, “projects”, “potential”, “scheduled”, “forecast”, “budget” or the negative of those terms or other comparable terminology. Assumptions upon which such forward looking information regarding completion of the Transaction is based include that Hana will be able to satisfy the conditions to the Transaction, that the required approvals will be obtained from the shareholders and optionholders of Hana, that all third party regulatory and governmental approvals to the Transaction will be obtained and all other conditions to completion of the Transaction will be satisfied or waived. Although Hana believes that the forward-looking information contained in this news release is based on reasonable assumptions, readers cannot be assured that actual results will be consistent with such statements. Accordingly, readers are cautioned against placing undue reliance on forward-looking information. Hana expressly disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, events or otherwise, except in accordance with applicable securities laws.

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