



Andina Extends Strike Length of Volcan's West Zone

Drilling 700 Metres to the North Returns 100 Metres Grading 1.10 g/t Gold

TORONTO, July 11, 2006 - ANDINA Minerals Inc. (TSXV:ADM) ("Andina" or "the Company") is pleased to report the final Phase II definition drilling results from the Company's Volcan Gold Project located in Chile's Maricunga Gold Belt. The diamond drilling results, based upon a 0.5 gram per tonne gold ("g/t Au") cut-off grade, are summarized in Table 1 below.

The recent results include a significant intersection of 100 metres grading 1.10 g/t Au from drill hole DOA-11 which was collared approximately 700 metres north and along strike of the West Zone. To-date, Andina's West Zone definition drilling program has focused on the southern portion the 1.4 kilometre long gold anomaly from section 200 through section 700. The results from DOA-11, supported by surface trenching and geochemistry, suggest that the gold mineralization may continue an additional 700 metres to the north representing a total possible strike length for the West Zone of 1.4 kilometres. Further drilling will be necessary to confirm the continuity of the mineralization along the possible extension.

Drill holes DOA-14 and DOA-16, collared on section 700, extended the West Zone gold mineralization an additional 100 metres to the northeast returning significant intervals of +0.5 g/t Au mineralization including 124 metres grading 0.83 g/t Au and 56 metres grading 1.23 g/t respectively. DOA-16 ended in 27 metres grading 1.06 g/t Au and will be deepened if feasible. Both drill holes encountered broad halos of lower grade mineralization. For example, the 46 metre interval of 0.74 g/t Au reported in DOA-14 was preceded by 56 metres of 0.44 g/t Au and followed by a 40 metre halo grading 0.42 g/t Au. The combined intervals would grade 0.53 g/t Au over 142 metres.

Hole #	Section	From (metres)	To (metres)	Distance ¹ (metres)	Grade ² (g/t gold)
DOA-03	450	196	246	50	1.31
DOA-11	1400	44	144	100	1.10
	<i>including</i>	96	108	12	2.46
DOA-14	700	56	102	46	0.74
		218	342	124	0.83
	<i>including</i>	218	262	44	1.05
	<i>and</i>	300	342	42	0.99
DOA-16	700	128	184	56	1.23
		292	314	22	0.63
		344	371	27	1.06

¹ All intervals represent downhole lengths and not true widths

² Gold assay composite intervals are based upon a 0.5 g/t gold cut off grade

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“These latest results from our Volcan Project definition drilling program are an exciting conclusion to our Phase II drilling program”, stated Carl B. Hansen, President and CEO of Andina. “Not only have we established that the West Zone remains open along strike and to depth but with drill hole DOA-11 we have increased the potential strike length of the West Zone from 700 metres to 1,400 metres. When our Phase III drilling campaign commences, one of our goals will be to focus on establishing the continuity of the gold mineralization along the West Zone extension.”

Drill hole DOA-03, an infill definition drill hole collared on section 450 of the West Zone, returned a 50 metre interval grading 1.31 g/t Au (at a 0.5 g/t Au cut-off) from within a larger section of gold mineralization which graded 0.70 g/t Au over 156 metres. The drill hole confirmed the continuity of the West Zone eastern breccia unit between sections 300 and 500. Unfortunately, DOA-03 was halted before it reached the western breccia unit. A drill plan of the West Zone is available on Andina’s web site at www.andinaminerals.com.

With all of the Phase II drill assay results returned (see Table 2 attached), Andina is commencing a revised resource estimate to encompass the Dorado East, Central and West Zones. The revised estimate is anticipated to be available for release during the third quarter 2006. In addition, samples have been collected for metallurgical studies which are planned to begin shortly in preparation for the commencement of a scoping study to determine the potential parameters for the possible development of Volcan Gold Project.

About Andina Minerals Inc.

Andina is an Americas focused exploration company with a portfolio of precious metals exploration projects in Chile which is dedicated to maximizing the value of its exploration assets through a disciplined and fiscally responsible approach exploration. The Company is earning a 100% interest in the Volcan project by undertaking certain work commitments and making a series of escalating payments ending in 2008.

Michael Easdon, a Register Professional Geologist of Santiago, Chile and an “Independent Qualified Person” as defined by National Instrument 43-101 of the Canadian Securities Administrators audited and confirmed the resource estimate presented in this press release and has prepared a 43-101 Technical Report as noted below. Mr. Easdon has reviewed and approved the Volcan exploration program and has approved the contents of this press release.

Diamond drill core from Andina’s ongoing drill campaign are collected at the drill under the direct supervision of Andina staff. All samples are appropriately logged, tagged and securely stored prior to shipping to Asesoría Minera Geoanalítica Ltda.’s (“Geoanalítica”) laboratory in La Serena, Chile. Samples are processed and analyzed for gold using fire assay techniques with atomic absorption finish. Samples which returned gold values greater than 1.00 gram per tonne are re-analyzed by Geoanalítica using fire assay techniques with a gravimetric finish. Duplicate samples are inserted at a rate of approximately 5%. Andina also inserts standard samples within each sample batch to ensure laboratory quality control procedures. Occasionally Andina requests Geoanalítica send samples to ALS Chemex in La Serena, Chile for 47 trace element analysis using ICP.



Technical Reports titled "Technical Report on the Volcan Gold Project. Region III, Chile" dated November 2005 and "Technical Report on the Volcan Gold Project. Region III, Chile" dated April 2006 summarizing the October 2005 and February 2006 resource estimates respectively are available at www.sedar.com. Further, a summary of the work performed by the previous operators is reported within the Company's Technical Report titled "Review of Gold and Copper Exploration Potential of Mineral Properties in Chile" dated November 12, 2004 which was filed at www.sedar.com on November 24, 2004. All reports are also available on the Company's website noted below.

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Forward Looking Statement

Certain statements herein that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements, including statements as to timing and extent of future exploration programs, metallurgical testing, scoping studies and resource estimates. As such, these statements address future events and conditions and so involve inherent risks and uncertainties, as disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the company's recent Management Discussion and Analysis filed with Canadian securities regulators. Actual results could differ significantly from those currently projected as a result of, among those factors, adverse weather, regulatory changes, delays in receiving permits, accidents and delays in completing exploration activities, resource estimates and technical studies not all of which are in the control of the company. The forward-looking information contained herein is the company's reasonable estimate today of future events and conditions, but no assurance can be given that such events or conditions will occur.

The TSX Venture Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.



Table 2 - Summary of Significant West Zone Drill Assay Results						
Hole #	Section	From (metres)	To (metres)	Length (metres)	Grade (g/t gold)	Note
DOA-01	200	126	174	48	0.97	
ROA-17	250	2	54	52	0.91	To be deepened by diamond drilling
DOA-10	250	86	132	46	1.22	
		154	252	98	1.34	
	<i>incl</i>	154	210	56	1.53	
ROA-02	320	44	84	40	0.98	
	320	208	250	42	0.95	Ends in +0.5 g/t; to be deepened
DOA-07	420	60	100	40	0.56	
		138	160	22	0.69	
DOA-03	450	196	246	50	1.31	
ROA-20	450	0	22	22	0.91	
		72	110	38	0.76	To be deepened by diamond drilling
DOA-04	500	46	84	38	0.99	Abandoned at 84 m, redrilled as ROA-04
ROA-04	500	52	100	48	1.42	
		196	312	116	1.01	
DOA-06	500	58	150	92	0.95	
ROA-15	500	44	132	88	0.99	
		154	174	20	0.59	
ROA-19	500	42	168	126	1.05	
DOA-05	600	78	480	402	0.81	
	<i>incl</i>	164	468	304	0.92	
	<i>incl</i>	164	340	176	1.06	
	<i>and</i>	374	468	64	0.88	
DOA-08	600	60	112	52	1.17	
		132	182	50	0.71	Ends in +0.5 g/t Au; to be deepened
DOA-09	600	24	198	174	0.95	
DOA-12	600	22	384	362	1.09	
	<i>incl</i>	22	104	82	1.13	
	<i>and</i>	210	384	174	1.47	
	<i>incl</i>	236	324	88	2.00	
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