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## PRESS RELEASE

### **OCEANIC FILES NI 43-101 TECHNICAL REPORT IN RESPECT OF HOPES ADVANCE PROJECT**

Vancouver, BC, November 5, 2012 - Oceanic Iron Ore Corp. (the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has filed a National Instrument 43-101 Technical Report on a Pre-Feasibility Study (“PFS”) in respect of the Company’s Hopes Advance project. The Technical Report is available on SEDAR ([www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com)) and on the Company’s website ([www.oceanicironore.com](http://www.oceanicironore.com)).

The results of the PFS were announced in a press release dated September 19, 2012 and highlights of this press release are set out below. The PFS was completed by Micon International Ltd. (“Micon”) in conjunction with independent consulting engineers and management. There are no material differences between the results announced in the news releases and the results in the Technical Report.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PFS:**

##### **The PFS Delivers Positive Economic Results:**

- *Optimal production case delivers robust economics*
  - Base case pre-tax NPV of \$5.6 billion, pre-tax unlevered IRR of 20.5% and levered IRR (60% debt finance) of 23.2% at a price of \$100 / tonne FOB for a 66.5% Fe concentrate;
  - Life of mine operating cost of approximately \$30/tonne;
  - Initial production of 10 million tonnes of concentrate per annum commencing in 2017;
  - Expansion to production of 20 million tonnes per annum in 2027 funded through operating cash flows, to coincide with availability of hydroelectric power;
  - Life of mine 31 years;
  - \$2.85 billion initial capital cost inclusive of \$0.93 billion indirect costs and contingency;
  - Scheduled expansion capital cost of \$1.61 billion 2025 – 2026, including \$0.49 billion indirect costs and contingencies;
  - Sustaining capital of \$0.77 billion over life of mine.

##### **Additional Attributes of the Project:**

- *Project implementation and development schedule independent of third party infrastructure*
  - Construction and operations to commence utilizing self-generated power;
  - Intention to connect to the Hydro Québec grid in 2025 to support expansion (as reported in the Company’s press release of September 5, 2012).

\*CAD \$1.00 = USD \$1.00

- *Projected lowest quartile operating cost per tonne resulting from “no rail” advantage, simple metallurgy and low waste / ore strip ratio (0.57 : 1 in years 1 to 15 of production, 1.17 : 1 over life of mine)*
- *Pilot plant metallurgical testwork confirms product quality suitable for pellet or sinter feed*
  - 66.5% Fe grade concentrate with low deleterious elements and silica content ≤ 4.5%
  - High weight and Fe recoveries using a simple flow sheet
- *Construction of a marine facility in Hopes Advance Bay at Pointe Breakwater as proposed in the Company’s Marine Facility and Shipping Logistics Study prepared by AMEC International in September 2011.*

### **Next Steps**

With the PFS now delivered on schedule, the Company is focused on continuing to fast-track the overall development of the Hopes Advance project. The next significant milestones include:

- Strategic Partnering and offtake agreements
- Pot Grate Pelletizing test work
- Completing a Feasibility Study
- Completing the environmental impact assessment and permitting
- Negotiate Stakeholder Impact and Benefits Agreement

Eddy Canova, P. Geo. (Q403), the Exploration Manager for the Company and a Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101, has reviewed and is responsible for the technical information contained in this news release.

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