

**WEST KIRKLAND - CLOSING OF BOUGHT DEAL PRIVATE PLACEMENT
FOR GROSS PROCEEDS OF \$7.756 MILLION**

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(VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, November 22, 2011) – West Kirkland Mining Inc. (WKM: TSXV) (“West Kirkland” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the closing of its bought deal private placement (the “Offering”) announced on October 28, 2011 with a syndicate of underwriters co-led by Haywood Securities Inc. and PI Financial Corp. (together, the “Underwriters”). The Company completed the sale of 5,232,500 units (the “Units”) of the Company at a price of \$1.10 per Unit, including the full over-allotment option of an additional 682,500 Units, for gross proceeds of \$5,755,750 and 1,575,000 flow-through shares (the “FT Shares”) at a price of \$1.27 per FT Share for gross proceeds of \$2,000,250.

Each Unit consists of one common share of the Company and one-half of one common share purchase warrant (each whole warrant, a “Warrant”). Each Warrant is exercisable into one common share of the Company for a period of 12 months from closing at an exercise price of \$1.50.

In connection with the Offering, the Underwriters received a cash commission representing 7% of the gross proceeds raised in the Offering and a number of options (the “Compensation Options”) equal to 5% of the securities sold under the Offering. Each Compensation Option is exercisable into one common share of the Company for a period of 12 months from closing at an exercise price of \$1.50.

The aggregate proceeds raised from the issuance of the FT Shares will be used for general exploration expenditures, which will constitute Canadian exploration expenses (as defined in the Income Tax Act) and will be renounced as of December 31, 2011. The proceeds raised from the Offering will be used for continuing exploration in Nevada near Cortez and Long Canyon, exploration in Kirkland Lake, Ontario and for general corporate purposes. The securities issued in the Offering are subject to a four month hold period in accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws.

About West Kirkland Mining

West Kirkland Mining was formed in 2010 to focus on gold exploration along major trends in North America. The Company has consolidated significant mineral rights positions in the Kirkland Lake area of Ontario and within major gold trends of North Eastern Nevada - two of North America’s premier gold jurisdictions. The founders and Board of West Kirkland Mining have successful gold discovery, development and mine operations experience in both Ontario and Nevada over the past 40 years.

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