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High Desert Gold Corporation Commences Drilling at the Canasta Dorada Gold Property in Northern Mexico

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High Desert Gold Corporation (“HDG” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that drilling is in progress at its flagship Mexican gold property, Canasta Dorada. Canasta Dorada is located in the Sonoran Gold Belt, a particularly gold enriched province extending from southern California through northern Sonora. Mines in this established gold trend include Mesquite, Picacho, La Herradura and El Chanate in the Caborca region of northwest Sonora, Mexico. The drilling is part of a planned 40 drill hole program. The first holes are located to drill into the exposed, potentially ore grade mineralization in the Big Pit area. One hundred and forty-three (143) channel samples from this exposure, which covers an area of approximately 375 metres by 200 metres, averaged 1.2 gpt gold (see High Desert Gold Corporation Final Prospectus, October 9, 2007 as filed on www.sedar.com).

The Company is a mineral exploration company that acquires and explores mineral properties, primarily gold, copper and silver, in North America. The three major properties held by HDG are the flagship Canasta Dorada gold property in Sonora, Mexico, the Gold Lake porphyry copper-gold-molybdenum property in New Mexico and the Monitor copper-silver property in Arizona. Drilling is expected to begin at the Gold Lake project in November.

Assays were performed by fire assay on a 50 g sample by ALS Chemex in Vancouver, BC. The ALS Chemex laboratories in North America are all registered to ISO 9001:2000 for the “provision of assay and geochemical analytical services” by QMI Quality Registrars. In addition to this ISO registration, ALS Chemex’s Vancouver laboratory has received ISO 17025 accreditation from the Standards Council of Canada. The Qualified Person on the project is Randall Moore, Executive VP of Exploration, High Desert Gold Corporation.

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