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**LIONS GATE METALS INTERSECTS NEW ZONE OF 0.74% COPPER EQUIVALENT
OVER 179.17 METRES AT POPLAR PROJECT**

Vancouver, BC, Canada, December 15, 2011 – Lions Gate Metals Inc. (TSX-V: LGM) (“Lions Gate” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce assay results from four (4) more holes from the recently completed twenty nine (29) hole, 10,913.93 metre diamond drill program at the Poplar Project.

Hole 11-PC-99 drilled the central part of the main mineralized zone and tested the extension of the mineralization intersected in Hole 11-PC-88 (See News Release dated April 13, 2011). Holes 11-PC-98, 100 and 101 were drilled approximately 100 metres apart along an east-west fence on the southern side of the main zone of mineralization.

Results are as follows:							
Hole 11-PC-98							
From	To	Width	Cu%	Mo%	Au g/t	Ag g/t	Cu Eq %
3.16	453.24	450.08	0.06	0.00	0.01	0.87	0.09
Including;							
108.27	308.10	199.83	0.09	0.00	0.02	0.75	0.13
170.08	308.10	138.02	0.10	0.01	0.02	0.85	0.14
Hole 11-PC-99							
From	To	Width	Cu%	Mo%	Au g/t	Ag g/t	Cu Eq %
53.60	502.01	448.41	0.34	0.02	0.11	2.12	0.53
Including;							
53.60	414.59	360.99	0.37	0.02	0.12	2.32	0.60
235.42	413.59	179.17	0.46	0.03	0.18	3.04	0.74
Hole 11-PC-100							
From	To	Width	Cu%	Mo%	Au g/t	Ag g/t	Cu Eq %
7.27	553.82	546.55	0.09	0.01	0.02	1.61	0.16
Including							
146.12	303.62	157.50	0.13	0.01	0.03	2.60	0.21
194.39	254.89	60.50	0.19	0.01	0.05	2.79	0.29
368.65	401.77	33.12	0.14	0.01	0.03	7.26	0.29
479.97	553.82	73.85	0.18	0.02	0.05	0.96	0.33
Hole 11-PC-101							
From	To	Width	Cu%	Mo%	Au g/t	Ag g/t	Cu Eq %
2.66	502.01	499.35	0.04	0.00	0.01	0.57	0.06
Including;							
154.95	351.35	196.40	0.07	0.00	0.02	0.96	0.10
154.95	291.35	136.40	0.08	0.00	0.02	1.24	0.12

Peter Ogryzlo, M.Sc., P.Geo., technical advisor to Lions Gate Metals states: “Diamond drill hole 11-PC-99 represents the longest continuously mineralized intersection from the Poplar Deposit since drilling began in 1974. The 0.74% copper equivalent grade over 179.17 metres is the highest grade intercept of this length reported from Poplar. The mineralization in this hole and in the lower portions of 11-PC-97, (See News Release dated December 6, 2011) have intersected a zone of high grade mineralization at depth which has not been previously tested. “

Copper Equivalent (Cu Eq) calculations were based on equivalency factors of $CuEq\% = Cu\% \times 1$, $Au (CuEq\%) = Au \text{ g/t} \times 0.57291667$, $Ag (CuEq\%) = Ag \text{ g/t} \times 0.01041667$, and metal prices of Cu \$2.80/lb, Mo \$16.00/lb, Au \$1100/troy oz., Ag \$20/troy oz. The equivalency factor for molybdenum is $Mo (CuEq\%) = Mo\% \times 5.71428571$ However, the molybdenum values intersected in 11-PC-104 may not be recoverable, and are not used in the calculation of copper equivalent grade. Metal recoveries are not used, as metallurgical studies are incomplete.

The 100% owned Poplar Project has a NI 43-101 compliant resource of 245 million tonnes grading 0.27% copper, containing 1.4 billion pounds of copper, at a 0.15% copper cut-off. This resource estimate was prepared by Giroux Consultants Limited (News Release dated August 23, 2011), and was based on 105 historical drill holes and 13 diamond drill holes, totaling 5,569m, completed by Lions Gate in the spring of 2011. The Phase 2 drill program will provide enough data for an estimate of gold and silver grades, in addition to copper and molybdenum grades. An updated resource estimate is anticipated in the spring of 2012 when all results from the Phase 2 drilling have been received and compiled.

2011 Milestones:

- Completed a National Instrument 43-101 compliant resource calculation for Poplar.
- Completed over 16,000 metres of drilling at costs below \$200 per metre at Poplar.
- Improved our corporate governance practices to include a fully independent audit committee.
- Filed an Annual Information Form (“AIF”) which will enhance capital market access.
- Negotiated Option to earn 75% of ROK-Coyote.
- Completed preliminary exploration at ROK-Coyote, Poplar Regional and Hudson Bay Mountain.
- Staked additional claims to the south west of Poplar Project.

2012 Goals:

- Publish an updated National Instrument 43-101 Resource Estimate for Poplar.
- Continue drilling to expand and enhance the Poplar Project.
- Continue exploration of Poplar Regional to include geophysics and drill targets.
- Drill target identification and possible drilling at ROK-Coyote.

About Lions Gate Metals

Lions Gate is a Canadian based, junior resource company focused on the exploration, development, and acquisition of Copper projects. Lions Gate owns five substantial projects in British Columbia. The 100% owned flagship project is the Poplar porphyry copper - gold deposit near Houston, BC. Located approximately 35 kilometres southwest of the Poplar Deposit is Imperial Metals’ Huckleberry Mine which produces copper and molybdenum from a deposit of similar age and setting. In 2011, LGM optioned the right to acquire 75% of the ROK-Coyote project near Iskut, BC which sits adjacent to

Imperial Metals' Red Chris Project. These two projects are the main focus of the 2012 Exploration Program.

Andrew Gourlay P. Geol., Vice President Exploration is a Qualified Person under NI 43-101 and has reviewed and approved the contents of this news release.

Sincerely on behalf of the Board of Directors,

"Arni Johannson"

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Lions Gate Metals Inc.

Lions Gate Metals Inc. is a Canadian based, junior resource company focused on the exploration, development, and acquisition of both advanced and early stage mineral projects.

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