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Lions Gate Metals Inc. Grants Stock Options

Vancouver, BC Canada, April 9, 2012 – Lions Gate Metals Inc. (TSX-V: LGM) ("Lions Gate" or the "Company") announces that a total of 251,000 incentive stock options have been granted to directors, officers, consultants and employees of the Company pursuant to the Company's Stock Option Plan. The stock options are exercisable for a period of 5 (five) years at a price of \$0.66 per share. The stock option grants are subject to regulatory approval.

About Lions Gate Metals

Lions Gate Metals is a Canadian based, junior resource company focused on the exploration, development, and acquisition of copper and copper-focused multi-mineral projects. The Company boasts one of the largest consolidated property portfolios of any Canadian junior resource company, including the 77,705 hectare Poplar copper-gold-silver porphyry property located 35km northeast of the Huckleberry mine operated by Imperial Metals Corp (proven/probable 39.7 million tonnes grading 0.343% copper: aggregate production to Dec 31, 2010 approximately 870.0 million pounds copper, 8.0 million pounds molybdenum, 105,000 ounces gold and 3.4 million ounces silver) in west-central British Columbia, and the 6,900 hectare ROK-Coyote copper-gold porphyry property contiguous with Imperial Metal's Red Chris copper-gold project in northwestern British Columbia. Poplar and ROK-Coyote are the primary focus of the 2012 Exploration Program.

Sincerely on behalf of the Board of Directors,

"Arni Johannson"

Arni Johannson Chairman, Lions Gate Metals Inc.

For further information on the Company and its projects please visit the web site at www.lionsgatemetals.com or contact CEO and President Paul Sarjeant at 604.683.7588

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