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ROYAL COAL ANNOUNCES BOARD AND CEO RESIGNATIONS

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TORONTO, ONTARIO, May 9, 2012 (Marketwire) -- Royal Coal Corp. (“Royal Coal” or the “Company”) (TSX VENTURE:RDA) (FRANKFURT:RLC) announces that it has received the resignations of the following directors: Scott Hand, John Ellis, James Ladner, Michael Rousseau, Dino Titaro and Elia Crespo. The Company has also received the resignation of Mr. Robert Heuler as Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

The Company would like to thank Messrs. Heuler, Hand, Ellis, Ladner, Rousseau and Titaro and Ms. Crespo for their dedicated service to the Company throughout a very challenging period.

For further information contact Tom Griffis, Chairman of Royal Coal, at (416) 861-8775.

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