

## AGENCY OFFERING AGREEMENT – INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

THIS AGREEMENT dated for reference January 27, 2012 is made

BETWEEN

**ASANTE GOLD CORPORATION**, Suite 206, 595 Howe Street,  
Vancouver, B.C. V6C 2T5 Fax: (604) 272-5130

(the “Issuer”);

AND

**CANACCORD GENUITY CORP.**, Suite 2200 - 609 Granville  
Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V7Y 1H2 Fax: (604) 643-  
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(the “Agent”).

WHEREAS:

A. The Issuer wishes to raise money for the purposes set forth in its Prospectus, which is to be filed by the Issuer with the Commissions and the Exchange, by offering for sale certain of its securities;

B. The Issuer wishes to appoint the Agent to distribute those securities and the Agent is willing to accept the appointment on the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

THE PARTIES to this Agreement therefore agree:

### 1. DEFINITIONS

In this Agreement:

- (a) “Agent’s Fee” means the fee which is set out in this Agreement and which is payable by the Issuer to the Agent in consideration of the services performed by the Agent under this Agreement;
- (b) “Agent’s Warrants” means the share purchase warrants of the Issuer which will be issued as part of the Agent’s Fee and which have the terms provided in this Agreement and the certificates representing such share purchase warrants;
- (c) “Agent’s Warrant Shares” means any common shares in the capital of the Issuer that may be issued on exercise of the Agent’s Warrants;
- (d) “Applicable Legislation” means the securities acts in the Selling Provinces, the regulations and rules made thereunder, and all administrative policy statements, blanket orders, notices, directions and rulings issued by the Commissions;
- (e) “Certificates” means the certificates representing the Shares, Warrants, Agent’s Warrants and Corporate Finance Shares;
- (f) “Closing” means the completion of the purchase and sale, and the issuance by the Issuer, of the Units;

- (g) "Closing Day" means the day on which the Closing takes place which shall be on such day as agreed to by the Issuer and the Agent;
- (h) "Commissions" means the securities commissions in the Selling Provinces;
- (i) "Corporate Finance Fee" means the fee to be paid to the Agent by the Issuer in consideration of corporate finance and structuring services provided by the Agent;
- (j) "Corporate Finance Shares" means the previously unissued common shares of the Issuer which will be issued as part of the Corporate Finance Fee;
- (k) "Distribution" means the distribution or sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement;
- (l) "Effective Date" means the date on which the Final Receipt is issued;
- (m) "Exchange" means the TSX Venture Exchange Inc.;
- (n) "Final Receipt" means the receipt issued for the final Prospectus by the Principal Regulator pursuant to National Policy 11-202 – *Process for Prospectus Reviews in Multiple Jurisdictions* ("NP 11-202"), representing a final receipt for the Prospectus in each of the Selling Provinces;
- (o) "Material Change" has the meaning defined in the Applicable Legislation;
- (p) "Material Fact" has the meaning defined in the Applicable Legislation;
- (q) "Misrepresentation" has the meaning defined in the Applicable Legislation;
- (r) "Offering" means the offering of the Units under the Prospectus;
- (s) "Offering Day" means the day chosen by the Agent to contract the purchases of Units by the purchasers;
- (t) "Offering Price" means \$0.50 per Unit;
- (u) "Preliminary Receipt" means the receipt issued for the preliminary Prospectus by the Principal Regulator pursuant to NP 11-202;
- (v) "Principal Regulator" means the British Columbia Securities Commission;
- (w) "Proceeds" means the gross proceeds of the Offering, less:
  - (i) that portion of the Agent's Fee which is payable in cash;
  - (ii) the expenses of the Agent in connection with the Offering which have not been repaid by the Issuer; and
  - (iii) any amount already received by the Issuer.
- (x) "Prospectus" means the preliminary prospectus and the final prospectus filed or intended to be filed by the Issuer with the Regulatory Authorities in connection with the Offering and any amendments to the preliminary prospectus and final prospectus which may be filed with the Regulatory Authorities;

- (y) “Regulatory Authorities” means the Commissions and the Exchange;
- (z) “Securities” means the Shares, Warrants, Warrant Shares, Agent’s Warrants, Agent’s Warrant Shares and the Corporate Finance Shares and any common shares of the Issuer which may be offered for sale under the Prospectus, pursuant to a secondary or shareholder offering;
- (aa) “Selling Provinces” means British Columbia and Alberta or in such other provinces as may be agreed to by the Issuer and the Agent;
- (bb) “Shares” means the common shares in the capital of the Issuer to be issued as part of a Unit;
- (cc) “Units” means the minimum 3,000,000 units and maximum 4,000,000 units of the Issuer to be offered by the Issuer pursuant to this Agreement having the terms provided in this Agreement;
- (dd) “Warrants” means the transferable share purchase warrants of the Issuer which will be issued as part of the Units and which have the terms provided in this Agreement and the certificates representing such share purchase warrants; and
- (ee) “Warrant Shares” means the previously unissued common shares in the capital of the Issuer, as presently constituted, which will be issued upon the exercise of the Warrants.

## **2. APPOINTMENT OF AGENT AND MINIMUM OFFERING**

2.1 The Issuer appoints the Agent as its exclusive agent and the Agent accepts the appointment and will act as the exclusive agent of the Issuer to offer the Units for sale under the Prospectus at the Offering Price on a commercially reasonable efforts basis.

2.2 The Offering is subject to a minimum subscription of 3,000,000 Units.

2.3 All funds received by the Agent for subscription will be held in trust by the Agent until the minimum subscription has been obtained.

## **3. THE UNITS**

Each Unit will consist of one Share and one-half of one Warrant and the Shares and Warrants will be issued and registered in the names of the purchasers or their nominees.

## **4. WARRANTS**

4.1 The right to purchase a Warrant Share under a Warrant may be exercised at any time until the close of business on the day which is 24 months from the date of issue of the Unit under which such Warrant was issued to the holder.

4.2 One whole Warrant will entitle the holder, on exercise, to purchase one Warrant Share at a price of \$0.70 per Warrant Share.

4.3 The certificates representing the Warrants will, among other things, include provisions for the appropriate adjustment in the class, number and price of the Warrant Shares issued upon exercise of the Warrants upon the occurrence of certain events, including any subdivision,

consolidation or reclassification of the Issuer's common shares, the payment of stock dividends and the amalgamation of the Issuer.

4.4 The issue of the Warrants will not restrict or prevent the Issuer from obtaining any other financing, or from issuing additional securities or rights, during the period within which the Warrants may be exercised.

## **5. FILING OF PROSPECTUS**

5.1 The Issuer will cause the Prospectus to be filed with the Regulatory Authorities, will deliver all necessary copies of the Prospectus to the Regulatory Authorities and will use its best efforts to have the Prospectus accepted by the Regulatory Authorities.

5.2 The Issuer will provide the Agent with as many copies of the Prospectus as the Agent reasonably requests.

5.3 Delivery of the Prospectus and any amendment thereto shall constitute a representation and warranty by the Issuer to the Agent that all information and statements (except information and statements relating solely to the Agent) contained in the Prospectus and any amendment thereto are true and correct in all material respects at the time of delivery thereof and contain no Misrepresentations and constitute full, true and plain disclosure of all Material Facts relating to the Issuer and the Securities and that no Material Fact or material information has been omitted therefrom (except facts of information relating solely to the Agent) which is required to be stated therein or is necessary to make statements of information contained therein not misleading in light of the circumstances under which they were made. Such delivery shall also constitute the Issuer's consent to the Agent's use of the Prospectus, any amendment thereto and any other documents supplied to the Agent by the Issuer for the purpose of the sale of Units in compliance herewith and with the Applicable Legislation.

5.4 The Issuer acknowledges that the Agent will be conducting a due diligence investigation of the Issuer's business, properties, securities, management and affairs and the Issuer covenants that it will afford the Agent with access to the contracts, properties, commitments, corporate records and other documents that the Agent may reasonably request. The Issuer also covenants to use its reasonable best efforts to secure the cooperation of the Issuer's professional advisors (including its legal advisors and auditors) to participate in any due diligence conference calls required by the Agent, and the Issuer consents to the use and the disclosure of information obtained during the course of the due diligence investigation (including during the due diligence conference call) where such disclosure is required by law or required by the Agent to maintain a defense to any regulatory or other civil action.

## **6. LISTING APPLICATION AND CONDUCT OF THE OFFERING**

6.1 Prior to the Closing Day, the Issuer will make application to list the Shares, Warrants, Agent's Warrant Shares and Corporate Finance Shares on the Exchange and deemed listing approval of such application must be obtained from the Exchange prior to Closing such that the Shares and Warrants will be qualified investments under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) for registered retirement savings plans and other similar investment plans.

6.2 Following the Effective Date, the Issuer and the Agent will set the Offering Day.

6.3 The Offering Day will be on or before the day which is:

- (a) 90 days after the Effective Date; or

- (b) if a receipt is issued for an amendment to the Final Prospectus, 90 days after the date of such receipt,

and in any event, no later than 180 days after the Effective Date.

6.4 Immediately after the Offering Day, the Issuer shall take all necessary steps to complete and file with the Exchange its application for listing with all other documentation required by the Exchange, to allow for the listing and posting for trading of the common shares of the Issuer on the Exchange, which is to occur on such day as agreed to by the Issuer and the Agent. Notwithstanding the generality of the foregoing, the Issuer will ensure that on the Closing Day, the Exchange will have confirmed the listing of the Issuer's common shares on the Exchange such that the Shares and Warrants will be qualified investments under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) for registered retirement savings plans and similar investment plans.

## **7. OPINIONS AND CERTIFICATES**

7.1 On the Effective Date, the Issuer will deliver the following documents to the Agent and its counsel in a form acceptable to them:

- (a) a comfort letter from the auditor of the Issuer, dated as of the date of the Prospectus and addressed to the Agent and its counsel, relating to the accuracy of the financial statements forming part of the Prospectus and the accuracy of the financial, numerical and certain other information disclosed in the Prospectus; and
- (b) any other certificates, comfort letters or opinions in connection with any matter related to the Prospectus which are reasonably requested by the Agent or its counsel.

7.2 On Closing, the Issuer will deliver the following documents to the Agent and its counsel in a form acceptable to them:

- (a) evidence of the necessary approval of the Regulatory Authorities for the Offering;
- (b) an opinion of counsel for the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Day and addressed to the Agent and its counsel, relating to any legal matter in connection with the creation, issuance and sale of the Securities for which the Agent may reasonably request an opinion;
- (c) a favourable title opinion, dated as of the Closing Day and addressed to the Agent and its counsel, on the Issuer's material mineral property;
- (d) an updated comfort letter from the auditor of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Day and addressed to the Agent and its counsel, confirming the accuracy of the Financial Statements and the accuracy of the financial, numerical and certain other information disclosed in the Prospectus;
- (e) a certificate of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Day and signed by the chief executive officer and chief financial officer of the Issuer or such other officers approved by the Agent, certifying certain facts relating to the Issuer and its affairs (the "Officers' Certificate"); and

- (f) any other certificates, comfort letters or opinions in connection with any matter related to the Offering which are reasonably requested by the Agent or its counsel.

## **8. AGENT'S FEE**

8.1 In consideration of the services performed by the Agent under this Agreement, the Issuer agrees, on the Closing Day, to:

- (a) pay the Agent a commission of 7.5% of the Offering Price per Unit sold, whether purchased by the Agent for its own account or for its clients or purchased by other members of the Exchange for their own accounts or for their clients, payable in lawful Canadian currency (the "Agent's Fee"); and
- (b) issue Agent's Warrants to the Agent or to members of its selling group as directed by the Agent entitling the Agent to purchase that number of Agent's Warrant Shares equal to 7.5% of the number of Units sold.

8.2 One whole Agent's Warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one common share of the Issuer.

8.3 The right to purchase Agent's Warrant Shares under the Agent's Warrants may be exercised at anytime up to day which is two years from the Closing Day, at a price of \$0.50 per Agent's Warrant Share.

8.4 The Issuer agrees to pay a Corporate Finance Fee to the Agent by the issuance of 150,000 Corporate Finance Shares.

8.5 The Agent's Warrants will be represented by certificates, and will be non-transferable.

8.6 The terms governing the Agent's Warrants will include, among other things, provisions for the appropriate adjustment in the class, number and price of the Agent's Warrant Shares upon the occurrence of certain events, including any subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of the shares, the payment of stock dividends or the amalgamation of the Issuer.

8.7 The issue of the Agent's Warrants will not restrict or prevent the Issuer from obtaining any other financing, or from issuing additional securities or rights during the period within which the Agent's Warrants are exercisable.

## **9. CLOSING**

9.1 On Closing, the Issuer will deliver the Certificates to the Agent against payment of the Proceeds.

9.2 If the Issuer has satisfied all of its obligations under this Agreement, on Closing, the Agent will pay the Proceeds to the Issuer against delivery of the Certificates.

9.3 The obligation of the Agent to pay the Proceeds to the Issuer shall be subject to the following conditions precedent:

- (a) completion by the Agent of due diligence on the Issuer to its reasonable satisfaction;

- (b) the Issuer shall have performed or complied with each covenant and obligation herein provided on its part to be performed or complied with;
- (c) each of the representations and warranties of the Issuer herein shall continue to be true, and the Officer's Certificate shall contain certification to that effect; and
- (d) the Issuer shall have, to the satisfaction of the Agent's counsel, taken or caused to be taken all steps and proceedings which may be requisite under the Applicable Legislation to qualify the Distribution of the Units to the public in the Selling Provinces through registrants who have complied with the provision of the Applicable Legislation, including the filing and the obtaining of the Preliminary Receipt and the Final Receipt.

## **10. MATERIAL CHANGES**

10.1 If, after the Prospectus is filed with the Regulatory Authorities but before the conclusion of the Distribution, a Material Change or change in a Material Fact occurs in the affairs of the Issuer, the Issuer will:

- (a) notify the Agent immediately, in writing, with full particulars of the change;
- (b) file with the Regulatory Authorities as soon as practicable, and in any event no later than 10 days after the change occurs, an amendment to the Prospectus in a form acceptable to the Agent disclosing the Material Change; and
- (c) provide as many copies of that amendment to the Agent as the Agent may reasonably request.

10.2 The Issuer shall in good faith discuss with the Agent any fact or change in circumstances (actual and anticipated, contemplated or threatened, whether financial or otherwise) which is of such a nature that there is reasonable doubt as to whether notice in writing need be given to the Agent pursuant to the previous Subsection.

## **11. TERMINATION**

11.1 The Agent may terminate its obligations under this Agreement by notice in writing to the Issuer at any time before the Closing if:

- (a) there is an event, accident, governmental law or regulation or other occurrence of any nature which, in the opinion of the Agent, seriously affects or will seriously affect the financial markets or the business of the Issuer or any subsidiary of the Issuer or the ability of the Agent to perform its obligations under this Agreement or an investor's decision to purchase Units;
- (b) an adverse Material Change or change in a Material Fact relating to any of the Securities occurs or is announced by the Issuer;
- (c) following a consideration of the history, business, products, property or affairs of the Issuer or its principals and promoters, or the state of the financial markets in general, or the state of the market for the Issuer's securities in particular, or the possibility of investors exercising their statutory rights to withdraw from a purchase of the Issuer's securities, the Agent determines, in its sole discretion, that it is not in the interest of investors to complete the Offering;

- (d) the Securities cannot, in the opinion of the Agent, be marketed due to the state of the financial markets, or the market for the Units in particular;
- (e) an enquiry or investigation (whether formal or informal) in relation to the Issuer, or the Issuer's directors, officers or promoters, is commenced or threatened by an officer or official of any competent authority;
- (f) any order to cease trading (including communicating with persons in order to obtain expressions of interest) in the securities of the Issuer is made by a competent regulatory authority and that order is still in effect;
- (g) the Issuer is in breach of any term of this Agreement; or
- (h) the Agent determines that any of the representations or warranties made by the Issuer in this Agreement is false or has become false.

11.2 If the Agent exercises its right to terminate this Agreement, then the Issuer will immediately issue a press release setting out particulars of the termination.

## **12. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS**

12.1 The Issuer warrants, represents and covenants to the Agent that:

- (a) the Issuer is a valid and subsisting corporation duly incorporated and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated;
- (b) the Issuer is duly registered and licenced to carry on business in the jurisdictions in which it carries on business or owns property where so required by the laws of that jurisdiction and is not otherwise precluded from carrying on business or owning property in such jurisdictions by any other commitment, agreement or document;
- (c) the Issuer has full corporate power and authority to carry on its business as now carried on by it and to undertake the Offering and this Agreement has been, or will be by the Closing, duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Issuer;
- (d) all of the material transactions of the Issuer have been promptly and properly recorded or filed in its books or records and its minute books or records contain all records of the meetings and proceedings of its directors, shareholders, and other committees, if any, since inception;
- (e) each material contract listed in the Prospectus has been duly authorized and executed by the Issuer and is enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with each contract's terms;
- (f) the authorized capital of the Issuer is as disclosed in the Prospectus and the issued and outstanding common shares of the Issuer are fully paid and non-assessable and, except as disclosed in the Prospectus, no person has any right, agreement or option, present or future, contingent or absolute, or any right capable of becoming such a right, agreement or option, for the issue or allotment of any unissued shares in the capital of the Issuer or any other security convertible into or exchangeable for any such shares, or to require the Issuer to



- purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of the issued and outstanding shares in its capital;
- (g) the Issuer has no subsidiaries;
  - (h) the Issuer will reserve or set aside sufficient common shares in its treasury to issue the Shares, Warrant Shares, Agent's Warrant Shares and the Corporate Finance Shares;
  - (i) except as qualified by the Prospectus, the Issuer is the legal and beneficial owner of and has good and marketable title to the properties, business and assets or the interests in the properties, business or assets referred to in the Prospectus; all agreements, licences or permits by which the Issuer holds an interest in a property, business or asset are in good standing according to their terms, and the properties are in good standing under the applicable laws of the jurisdictions in which they are situated and all filings and work commitments required to maintain the properties in good standing have been properly recorded and filed in a timely manner with the appropriate regulatory body and there are no mortgages, liens, charges, encumbrances or any other interests in or on such properties;
  - (j) the Prospectus will contain full, true and plain disclosure of all Material Facts in relation to the Issuer, its business, its properties and its securities, will contain no Misrepresentations, will be accurate in all material respects and will omit no fact, the omission of which will make such representations misleading or incorrect;
  - (k) the risk factors contained in the Prospectus are an accurate and complete summary of the principal risks associated with an investment in the Issuer's Securities;
  - (l) the financial statements of the Issuer which form part of the Prospectus have been prepared in accordance with International financial reporting standards, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and all material liabilities (accrued, absolute, contingent or otherwise) of the Issuer as at the date of the financial statements and there have been no adverse material changes in the financial position of the Issuer since the date thereof, and the business of the Issuer has been carried on in the usual and ordinary course consistent with past practice except as fully and plainly disclosed in the Prospectus;
  - (m) the auditors of the Issuer who audited the financial statements of the Issuer for the most recent financial year-end and who provided their audit report thereon are independent public accountants as required under Applicable Legislation and there has never been a reportable event (within the meaning of National Instrument 51-102) with the present auditors of the Issuer;
  - (n) the Issuer has complied and will comply fully with the requirements of all applicable corporate and securities laws and administrative policies and directions, including, without limitation, Applicable Legislation and its regulations and the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) in relation to the issue and trading of its securities and in all matters relating to the Offering;
  - (o) the Issuer is in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and statutes (including all environmental laws and regulations) in the jurisdictions in which it

carries on business and which may materially affect the Issuer, has not received a notice of non-compliance, nor knows of, nor has reasonable grounds to know of, any facts that could give rise to a notice of non-compliance with any such laws, regulations and statutes, and is not aware of any pending change or contemplated change to any applicable law or regulation or governmental position that would materially affect the business of the Issuer or the business or legal environment under which the Issuer operates;

- (p) the Issuer has not caused or permitted the release, in any manner whatsoever, of any pollutants, contaminants, chemicals or industrial toxic or hazardous waste or substances (collectively, the "Hazardous Substances") on or from any of its properties or assets nor has it received any notice that it is potentially responsible for a clean-up site or corrective action under any applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, by-laws, regulations, or any orders, directions or decisions rendered by any government, ministry, department or administrative regulatory agency relating to the protection of the environment, occupational health and safety or otherwise relating to dealing with Hazardous Substances;
- (q) the Issuer has all licences, permits, approvals, consents, certificates, registrations and other authorizations (collectively the "Permits") under all applicable laws and regulations necessary for the operation of the business carried on or currently proposed to be carried on by the Issuer as set out in the Prospectus and each Permit is valid, subsisting and in good standing and the Issuer is not in material default or breach of any Permit, and to the best of the knowledge of the Issuer, no proceeding is pending or threatened to revoke or limit any Permit;
- (r) the issue and sale of the Securities by the Issuer does not and will not conflict with, and does not and will not result in a breach of, or constitute a default under (A) any statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Issuer including, without limitation, the Applicable Legislation; (B) the constating documents, articles, by-laws or resolutions of the Issuer which are in effect at the date hereof; (C) any agreement, debt instrument, mortgage, note, indenture, instrument, lease or other document to which the Issuer is a party or by which it is bound; or (D) any judgment, decree or order binding the Issuer or the property or assets of the Issuer;
- (s) the Issuer is not a party to any actions, suits or proceedings which could materially affect its business or financial condition, and no such actions, suits or proceedings are contemplated or have been threatened;
- (t) there are no judgments against the Issuer which are unsatisfied, nor are there any consent decrees or injunctions to which the Issuer is subject;
- (u) there is not presently, and will not be until the conclusion of the Distribution, any Material Change or change in any Material Fact relating to the Issuer which has not been or will not be fully disclosed in the Prospectus;
- (v) no order ceasing, halting or suspending trading in securities of the Issuer nor prohibiting the sale of such securities has been issued to and is outstanding against the Issuer or its directors, officers or promoters or against any other companies that have common directors, officers or promoters and no investigations or proceedings for such purposes are pending or threatened;

- (w) the Issuer has complied with all requirements of National Instrument 43-101, including but not limited to the preparation and filing of technical reports;
- (x) the Issuer has filed all federal, provincial, local and foreign tax returns which are required to be filed, or has requested extensions thereof, and has paid all taxes required to be paid by it and any other assessment, fine or penalty levied against it or any amounts due and payable to any governmental authority, to the extent that any of the foregoing is due and payable;
- (y) the Issuer has established on its books and records reserves which are adequate for the payment of all taxes not yet due and payable and there are no liens for taxes on the assets of the Issuer except for taxes not yet due, and there are no audits of any of the tax returns of the Issuer which are known by the Issuer's management to be pending, and there are no claims which have been or may be asserted relating to any such tax returns which, if determined adversely, would result in the assertion by any governmental agency of any deficiency which would have a material adverse effect on the properties, business or assets of the Issuer;
- (z) the Issuer owns or possesses adequate rights to use all material patents, trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, trade secrets, information, proprietary rights and other intellectual property necessary for the business of the Issuer now conducted and proposed to be conducted, without any conflict with or infringement of the rights of others;
- (aa) the Issuer has received no communication alleging that the Issuer has violated or, by conducting its business as proposed, would violate any of the patents, trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights or trade secrets or other proprietary rights of any other person or entity;
- (bb) the Issuer does not have any loans or other indebtedness outstanding which has been made to any of its shareholders, officers, directors or employees, past or present, or any person not dealing at "arm's length" (as such term is used in the *Income Tax Act (Canada)*);
- (cc) the Issuer shall not take any action which would be reasonably expected to result in the delisting or suspension of its common shares on or from the Exchange or on or from any stock exchange, market or trading or quotation facility on which its common shares are listed or quoted and the Issuer shall comply, in all material respects, with the rules and regulations thereof;
- (dd) other than the Agent, no person, firm or corporation acting or purporting to act at the request of the Issuer is entitled to any brokerage, agency or finder's fee in connection with the transactions described herein; and
- (ee) the warranties and representations in this Subsection are true and correct and will remain so as of the conclusion of the distribution under the Prospectus.

12.2 The Agent warrants and represents to the Issuer that:

- (a) it is a valid and subsisting corporation under the law of the jurisdiction in which it was incorporated, continued or amalgamated;
- (b) it is a member in good standing of the Exchange; and

- (c) it has complied with and will fully comply with the requirements of all Applicable Legislation, its rules and regulations and the by-laws and rules of the Exchange, in relation to trading in the Securities and all matters relating to the Offering.

### **13. EXPENSES OF AGENT**

13.1 The Issuer will pay all of the expenses of the Offering and all the expenses reasonably incurred by the Agent in connection with the Offering including, without limitation, the fees and expenses of the solicitors for the Agent, to a maximum of \$25,000 with respect to legal fees, not including reasonable disbursements and applicable taxes.

13.2 The Issuer will pay the expenses referred to in the previous Subsection even if the Prospectus and this Agreement are not accepted by the Regulatory Authorities or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are not completed or this Agreement is terminated, unless the failure of acceptance or completion or the termination is the result of a breach of this Agreement by the Agent.

13.3 The Agent may, from time to time, render accounts to the Issuer for its expenses for payment on the dates set out in the accounts.

13.4 The Issuer authorizes the Agent to deduct its reasonable expenses in connection with the Offering from the proceeds of the Offering, including expenses for which an account has not yet been rendered to the Issuer.

### **14. CONSENT TO ISSUE SECURITIES**

The Issuer agrees not to issue any additional equity or quasi-equity securities for a period of 60 days from closing of the Offering without prior written consent of the Agent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) except in conjunction with:

- (a) the grant or exercise of stock options and other similar issuances pursuant to the share incentive plan of the Issuer and other share compensation arrangements;
- (b) outstanding warrants; and
- (c) obligations in respect of existing mineral property agreements or issuances of securities in connection with property acquisitions in the normal course of business.

### **15. INDEMNITY**

15.1 The Issuer and its affiliated companies, as the case may be, (collectively, the “Indemnitor”) hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Agent, its selling group members and its affiliates, and each of their directors, officers, employees and agents (hereinafter referred to as the “Personnel”) harmless from and against any and all expenses, losses (other than loss of profits), fees, claims, actions (including shareholder actions, derivative actions or otherwise), damages, obligations, or liabilities, whether joint or several, and the reasonable fees and expenses of their counsel, that may be incurred in advising with respect to and/or defending any actual or threatened claims, actions, suits, investigations or proceedings to which the Agent and/or its Personnel may become subject or otherwise involved in any capacity under any statute or common law, or otherwise insofar as such expenses, losses, claims, damages, liabilities or actions arise out of or are based, directly or indirectly, upon the performance of professional services rendered to the Indemnitor by the Agent and its Personnel hereunder, or otherwise in connection with the matters referred to in this Agreement (including the aggregate

amount paid in reasonable settlement of any such actions, suits, investigations, proceedings or claims that may be made against the Agent and/or its Personnel, provided that the Indemnitor has agreed to such settlement), provided, however, that this indemnity shall not apply to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment that has become non-appealable shall determine that:

- (a) the Agent and/or its Personnel have been grossly negligent or have committed wilful misconduct or any fraudulent act in the course of such performance; and
- (b) the expenses, losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as to which indemnification is claimed, were directly caused by the gross negligence, wilful misconduct or fraud referred to in 15.1(a).

15.2 Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this indemnity shall apply to all expenses (including legal expenses), losses, claims and liabilities that the Agent may incur as a result of any action or litigation that may be threatened or brought against the Agent.

15.3 If for any reason (other than the occurrence of any of the events itemized in 15.1(a) and 15.1(b) above), the foregoing indemnification is unavailable to the Agent or any Personnel or insufficient to hold the Agent or any Personnel harmless, then the Indemnitor shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by the Agent or any Personnel as a result of such expense, loss, claim, damage or liability in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits received by the Indemnitor on the one hand and the Agent or any Personnel on the other hand but also the relative fault of the Indemnitor and the Agent or any Personnel, as well as any relevant equitable considerations; provided that the Indemnitor shall in any event contribute to the amount paid or payable by the Agent or any Personnel as a result of such expense, loss, claim, damage or liability any excess of such amount over the amount of the fees received by the Agent hereunder.

15.4 The Indemnitor agrees that in case any legal proceeding shall be brought against the Indemnitor and/or the Agent by any governmental commission or regulatory authority or any stock exchange or other entity having regulatory authority, either domestic or foreign, or shall investigate the Indemnitor and/or the Agent, and/or any Personnel of the Agent shall be required to testify in connection therewith or shall be required to respond to procedures designed to discover information regarding, in connection with, or by reason of the performance of professional services rendered to the Indemnitor by the Agent, the Agent shall have the right to employ its own counsel in connection therewith provided the Agent acts reasonably in selecting such counsel, and the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel as well as the reasonable costs (including an amount to reimburse the Agent for time spent by the Agent's Personnel in connection therewith) and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by their Personnel in connection therewith shall be paid by the Indemnitor as they occur.

15.5 Promptly after receipt of notice of the commencement of any legal proceeding against the Agent or any of the Agent's Personnel or after receipt of notice of the commencement or any investigation, which is based, directly or indirectly, upon any matter in respect of which indemnification may be sought from the Indemnitor, the Agent will notify the Indemnitor in writing of the commencement thereof and, throughout the course thereof, will provide copies of all relevant documentation to the Indemnitor, will keep the Indemnitor advised of the progress thereof and will discuss with the Indemnitor all significant actions proposed. However, the failure by the Agent to notify the Indemnitor will not relieve the Indemnitor of its obligations to indemnify the Agent and/or any Personnel. The Indemnitor shall, on behalf of itself and the Agent and/or any Personnel, as applicable, be entitled to (but not required) to assume the defence of any suit brought to enforce such legal proceeding; provided, however, that the

defence shall be conducted through legal counsel acceptable to the Agent and/or any Personnel, as applicable, acting reasonably, that no settlement of any such legal proceeding may be made by the Indemnitor without the prior written consent of the Agent and/or any Personnel, as applicable, and none of the Agent and/or any Personnel, as applicable, shall be liable for any settlement of any such legal proceeding unless it has consented in writing to such settlement, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld. The Agent and its Personnel shall have the right to appoint its or their own separate counsel at the Indemnitor's cost provided the Agent acts reasonably in selecting such counsel.

15.6 The indemnity and contribution obligations of the Indemnitor shall be in addition to any liability which the Indemnitor may otherwise have, shall extend upon the same terms and conditions to the Personnel of the Agent and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any successors, assigns, heirs and personal representatives of the Indemnitor, the Agent and any of the Personnel of the Agent. The foregoing provisions shall survive the completion of professional services rendered under this Agreement or any termination of this Agreement.

## **16. ASSIGNMENT AND SELLING GROUP PARTICIPATION**

16.1 The Agent will not assign this Agreement or any of its rights under this Agreement or, with respect to the Securities, enter into any agreement in the nature of an option or a sub-option unless and until, for each intended transaction, the Agent has obtained the consent of the Issuer.

16.2 The Agent may offer selling group participation in the normal course of the brokerage business to selling groups of other licensed dealers, brokers and investments dealers, who may or who may not be offered part of the commissions or warrants to be received by the Agent pursuant to this Agreement.

## **17. NOTICE**

17.1 Any notice under this Agreement will be given in writing and must be delivered, sent by facsimile transmission or mailed by prepaid post and addressed to the party to which notice is to be given at the address indicated above, or at another address designated by such party in writing.

17.2 If notice is sent by facsimile transmission or is delivered, it will be deemed to have been given at the time of transmission or delivery.

17.3 If notice is mailed, it will be deemed to have been received 48 hours following the date of mailing of the notice.

17.4 If there is an interruption in normal mail service due to strike, labour unrest or other cause at or prior to the time a notice is mailed the notice will be sent by facsimile transmission or will be delivered.

## **18. TIME**

Time is of the essence of this Agreement and will be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the *Interpretation Act* (British Columbia).

## **19. SURVIVAL OF REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

The representations, warranties, covenants and indemnities of the parties contained in this Agreement will survive the closing of the purchase and sale of the Securities.

**20. LANGUAGE**

Wherever a singular or masculine expression is used in this Agreement, that expression is deemed to include the plural, feminine or the body corporate where required by the context.

**21. ENUREMENT**

This Agreement enures to the benefit of and is binding on the parties to this Agreement and their successors and permitted assigns.

**22. HEADINGS**

The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

**23. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and supersedes any other previous agreement between the parties with respect to the Offering and there are no other terms, conditions, representations or warranties whether express, implied, oral or written by the Issuer or the Agent.

**24. COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original and all of which will constitute one agreement, effective as of the reference date given above.

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**25. LAW**

This Agreement and its application and interpretation will be governed exclusively by the laws prevailing in British Columbia. The parties to this Agreement consent to the jurisdiction of the courts of British Columbia, which courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any dispute of any kind arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.

This Agreement was executed and delivered as of the date given above.

**ASANTE GOLD CORPORATION**

Per: "Douglas MacQuarrie"  
Authorized Signatory  
Per: "Jagtar Sandhu"  
Authorized Signatory

**CANACCORD GENUITY CORP.**

Per: "Graeme Currie"  
Graeme Currie  
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