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ORVANA ANNOUNCES FATALITY AT DON MARIO MINE

TORONTO, ONTARIO, January 21, 2007 -- Orvana Minerals Corp. (TSX symbol: ORV)("Orvana" or the "Company") regrets to announce that a fatality occurred at its Don Mario operation, located in eastern Bolivia, on Thursday, January 18. The Company deeply regrets the loss of life of Carlos Vallejos, a mine worker.

An investigation into the accident commenced immediately. Management is working with local authorities in the continuing investigation, but no final determination as to cause has yet been made.

The Board of Directors and Management extend their deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Mr. Vallejos.

About Orvana

Orvana Minerals is a Canadian gold mining and exploration company based in Toronto, Canada, involved in the evaluation, development and mining of precious and base metal deposits in the Americas. The Company's primary operation is the Don Mario Mine in eastern Bolivia. Orvana's long-term goal is to become a low cost, long-life, multi-mine gold producer in the Americas. Orvana's shares have been listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange since 1992 under the trading symbol ORV.

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