

ORVANA ANNOUNCES FATALITY AT DON MARIO MINE

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TORONTO, ONTARIO—(CCNMatthews – October 25, 2005) – Orvana Minerals Corp. (TSX:ORV)(“Orvana” or the “Company”) regrets to announce that a fatality occurred at its Don Mario operation, located in eastern Bolivia, on Monday, October 24. The Company deeply regrets the loss of life of Rodney Frias Tomicha, a mine worker. Management is working with local authorities in the investigation of the accident, but no final determination as to the cause has yet been made.

The Board of Directors and Management extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mr. Tomicha.

About Orvana

Orvana Minerals Corp. is a Canadian gold mining and exploration company based in Toronto, Ontario, involved in the evaluation, development and mining of precious metal deposits in the Americas. The Company owns the Don Mario gold mine in eastern Bolivia. Orvana's long-term goal is to become a low cost, 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.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release may contain forward-looking statements that are based on the Company's expectations, estimates and projections regarding its business and the precious metals market and economic environment in which it operates. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties that are difficult to control or predict. Therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in these forward-looking statements and readers should not place undue reliance on such statements. Statements speak only as of the date on which they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update them publicly to reflect new information or the occurrence of future events or circumstances.

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