

FORACO INTERNATIONAL SA SHAREHOLDERS MEETING DECLARED A DIVIDEND OF 0.053 EUROS

Toronto, Ontario / Marseille, France - Monday, April 16, 2012 - Foraco International SA (the "Company" or "Foraco"), a leading global provider of mineral drilling services, held today its general shareholders' meeting at 10 am in Marseille (France).

The Shareholders' meeting of Foraco International SA, voted at the required majority a dividend of 0.053 euros per common share to the holders of common shares at the record date of April 19, 2012. The dividend will be paid on May 15, 2012.

The Shareholders' meeting also approved the acquisition of 51% of the share capital of the Brazilian company WFS Sondagem Ltda ("Servitec") and the share capital increase of the Company by issuance of 3,516,509 new shares reserved to the Shareholders of Servitec.

About Foraco International SA

Foraco International SA (<u>TSX: FAR</u>) is a leading global mineral drilling services company that provides a comprehensive and reliable service offering in mining and water projects. Supported by its founding values of integrity, innovation and involvement, Foraco has grown into the third largest global drilling enterprise with a presence in 23 countries across five continents. For more information about Foraco, visit <u>www.foraco.com</u>.

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