

NEWS RELEASE

RICHMONT MINES COMPLETES PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF FLOW-THROUGH COMMON SHARES

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MONTREAL, December 6, 2005 – Richmond Mines Inc. (TSX: RIC; AMEX: RIC) is pleased to announce that it has completed a private placement offering of 1,500,000 common shares issued as “flow-through shares” pursuant to the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). The private placement was completed on an underwritten basis. Each flow-through share was sold at a price of CAN\$5.00 for gross proceeds of CAN\$7,500,000. The flow-through shares are subject to a four month hold period under applicable Canadian securities regulations. Following completion of the private placement, Richmond Mines has 20,988,053 common shares outstanding.

The net proceeds of the private placement will be used principally for exploration at the Island Gold project. Richmond Mines will cause an amount equal to the aggregate flow-through share proceeds from the offering to be expended on Canadian exploration expenses, which will qualify as “flow-through mining expenditures” within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

Martin Rivard
President and CEO

Disclosure regarding forward-looking statements

This news release contains forward-looking statements that include risks and uncertainties. The factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in such forward-looking statements include changes in the prevailing price of gold, the Canadian-American exchange rate, grade of ore mined and unforeseen difficulties in mining operations that could affect revenues and production costs. Other factors such as uncertainties regarding government regulations could also affect the results. Other risks may be detailed in Richmond Mines’ Annual Information Form, Annual Report and periodic reports.

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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of December, 2005.

Commission File Number 0-28816

Richmont Mines Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

110, avenue Principale, Rouyn-Noranda (Quebec) J9X 4P2

(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
Form 20-F ☒ Form 40-F ☐

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Richmont Mines Inc.

(Registrant)

Date December 6, 2005

By Jean-Yves Laliberté (signed)
(Signature)*

Jean-Yves Laliberté
Vice President, Finance

* Print the name and title under the signature of the signing officer.

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