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Pilot Gold Inc. (PLG - TSX) ("Pilot Gold" or the "Company") is pleased to report that ongoing core drilling at the Halila?a Project in northwest Turkey continues to increase both the size and continuity of copper-gold mineralization at the Kestane porphyry.

Drilling from within the Kestane porphyry has intersected shallow high-grade supergene mineralization that returned:

- 0.77 grams per tonne gold and 1.51% copper over 37.4 metres in HD-86 within a broader interval that returned 0.48 g/t gold and 0.64% copper over 176.9 metres:
- 1.09 g/t gold and 0.87% copper over 49.4 metres in HD-94A contained within a broader interval that returned 0.64 g/t gold and 0.51% copper over 117.3 metres

Step-out drilling designed to expand the size of the porphyry body returned:

- 0.22 g/t gold, 0.27% copper and 0.01% molybdenum over 316.3 metres in HD-92A
- 0.20 g/t gold and 0.19% copper over 76.4 metres in HD-87
- 1.51 g/t gold over 15.1 metres in HD-89

All true widths are 80-90% of reported widths unless otherwise stated. All intervals of no sampling have been assigned zero grade for the purposes of compositing. Composites were calculated at 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 g/t gold equivalent cut-offs using \$1000/oz gold and \$3.00/lb copper for consistency with historic reporting practice. For a PDF of comprehensive drill results to date, including new and non-reportable intercepts, please click:

<http://www.pilotgold.com/sites/default/files/HalilagaDrillResults1116.pdf>

For a map highlighting recent drilling, please click:

<http://www.pilotgold.com/sites/default/files/HalilagaDrillMap1116.pdf>

These results are from the Phase 1, four-rig, 10,000 metre exploration/delineation drill program completed in H1 2011, focused on the Central Zone of the Kestane target, as well as, prominent magnetic anomalies on the remainder of the property. A Phase 2, 10,000 metre program is underway and is expected to wrap up in early October, with approximately 4,470 metres completed to date. Pilot Gold's share of the 2011 budget is approximately \$2.0-million.

The Kestane porphyry is mineralized over a strike length of 1,200 metres, a width of 850 metres, and a thickness of up to 600 metres, including a locally developed shallow supergene enrichment zone with grades of 1%-to-2% Cu.

All drill samples and analytical data for Halila?a are collected under the supervision of TMST, using industry standard QA-QC protocols. Ian Cunningham-Dunlop, P. Eng, VP Exploration and Chief Operating Officer for Pilot Gold, and a "Qualified Person" within the meaning of National Instrument 43-101, is responsible for compiling the technical information contained in

this release. Mr. Cunningham-Dunlop has not verified all the assay data generated by TMST as project operator, however the grades and widths reported here agree well with the Company's past results on the project and TMST has given him no reason to doubt their authenticity.

ABOUT PILOT GOLD

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For further details on Halilaga, please view the NI 43-101 compliant technical report entitled "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Halilaga Exploration Property, Canakkale, Western Turkey," dated February 15, 2011, as amended June 7, 2011, prepared by Ian R. Cunningham-Dunlop, P. Eng. and VP Exploration and Chief Operating Officer, Pilot Gold (formerly VP Exploration, Fronteer Gold Inc.) under Pilot Gold's Issuer Profile on SEDAR(www.sedar.com).

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