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SOUTHERN COPPER CORPORATION TO ISSUE \$1.5 BILLION UNSECURED NOTES

Phoenix, Arizona, April 13, 2010 -- Southern Copper Corporation "SCC" (NYSE and BVL: SCCO) announced today that it has priced a public offering of US\$1.5 billion aggregate principal amount of notes, comprised of US\$400 million 5.375% Notes due 2020 and US\$1,100 million 6.750% Notes due 2040. These notes will be senior unsecured obligations of SCC.

The proceeds of this offering will be used for general corporate purposes, including the financing of our capital expenditure program, which we believe will further strengthen our position as one of the industry's lowest cost copper producers. This offering is expected to close on April 16, 2010.

SCC is one of the largest integrated copper producers worldwide and we believe our copper reserves are the largest in the world. SCC is listed on the NYSE and the Lima Stock Exchange. Grupo Mexico, a company listed on the Mexican Stock Exchange, currently holds approximately 80% of our outstanding stock. The Company operates mining units and metallurgical facilities in Mexico and Peru and conduct exploration activities in Mexico, Peru and Chile.

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