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Andean Closes Non Brokered Private Placement

Andean American Mining Corp. (TSX-V:AAG) wishes to announce that it has closed on the non brokered portion of its previously announced financing and issued 2,502,000 common shares and warrants. The securities have a hold period expiring April 9, 2004.

The Company has also issued 56,770 finder's fee shares and 36,000 finder's fee warrants.

Andean American's objective is to create shareholder value through low cost mine development. At Santa Rosa, through higher process rates and continued process refinements the aim is to have production costs in the lowest quartile for the industry. This is seen as a realistic goal as Peru is host to two of the world's lowest cost producers of gold - Yanacocha and Pierina, which are both high altitude heap leach operations.

To find out more about Andean American Mining Corp. (TSX-V: AAG), visit our new website at www.andeanamerican.com . For further information, please contact: John Devlin at 1-866-885-0484 and jdevlin@andeanamerican.com or Windward Communications at 1-866-238-1185 or the Company at: (604) 681-6186 or toll free: 1-888-356-4784 and email: info@andeanamerican.com

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