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**NEWS RELEASE**

**APPOINTMENT OF NEW OFFICER AND RESIGNATION OF OFFICERS**

**Minco Mining & Metals Corporation (TSX: MMM AMEX: MMK)** (the "Company") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Mark Orsmund as the Company's Vice President Finance and Chief Financial Officer subject to regulatory approval. Mr. Orsmund holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree in Accounting Science from the University of South Africa (B.Compt) and in 1997 became a member of The Institute of Certified Public Accountants of South Africa. In 2004, Mr. Orsmund became a member of Institute of Chartered Secretaries of Canada (CISA), and in 2005 he became a member of the Professional Logistics Institute (P.Log). Mr. Orsmund has several years of management accounting and corporate finance experience. Since immigrating to Canada in March 2000, Mr. Orsmund has taken on a number of part-time CFO and corporate finance assignments for both private and publicly traded companies. Mr. Orsmund has also spent approximately three years working as a part-time management consultant to BC Hydro.

The Company also acknowledges the resignations of Mr. Paul Johnston as Vice President Exploration and Mr. Simon Anderson as Chief Financial Officer and appreciates both their contributions to the Company.

**About Minco**

Minco Mining & Metals Corporation is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange (MMM:TSX AMEX: MMK). The Company has a portfolio of high quality mineral projects in China and continues to evaluate a number of gold, base metal, rare earth and specialty metals projects in China. For more information on Minco and our properties, please visit the website at [www.mincomining.ca](http://www.mincomining.ca) or contact Robert Tyson, Vice President Corporate Development at 1-888-288-8288 or (604) 688-8002 [info@mincomining.ca](mailto:info@mincomining.ca).

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD**

*"Ken Z. Cai"*

**President, CEO & Director**

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