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Hearing notice - application

Barrick Gold Corporation and Placer Dome Inc.

Section 114(2) and 161(1) of the Securities Act, RSBC 1996, c. 418

The British Columbia Securities Commission will hold a hearing at the Commission's 12th floor hearing room, 701 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia beginning at 10:00 am on Friday, December 16, 2005, to consider a request by Barrick Gold Corporation for orders to prevent the operation of the shareholder rights plan adopted by Placer Dome Inc.

December 6, 2005

Elizabeth J. O'Hea Secretary to the Commission