

### **Rosia Montana SEA public announcement**

S.C. Roşia Montană Gold Corporation S.A. (RMGC) announces the interested public about the start of the public participation process for the *Environmental Report* issued according to the provisions of the Government Decision no. 1076/2004 regarding the Strategic Environmental Assessment of the plan:

***Amendment of the Zone Urbanism Plan for Rosia Montana Industrial Area.***

The public participation process will begin on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2009. From this date, information will be made available to the public for comment in the form of the Environmental Report, Draft PUZ, Non-technical summary, various materials describing the process. These materials will be made available at 6 information centers and other public venues.

In addition, 4 public meetings will be held in March and April 2009 for further comment. RMGC will provide the interested public with feedback on their comments during this process.

The documents are available for public, daily - Monday to Friday, from 9:30am to 15:30 hrs, at the following locations:

- the Information Centre of RMGC from Rosia Montana, 323 Piata St, Alba County;
- the Information Centre of RMGC from Corna, Rosia Montana comuna, local school, no 704, Alba County.;
- the Information Centre of RMGC from Abrud, the office of the CERT Apuseni, Eroilor Square no 5, Alba County;
- the Information Centre of RMGC from Bucium, the headquarters of the Bucium Town Hall, Bucium Sasa, no. 83;
- the Information Centre of RMGC from Carpenis, the Cultural House Hall, Carpenis, no. 790 A, Alba County;
- the Information Centre of RMGC from Campeni, the headquarters of Avram Iancu Cultural Centre, 6 Avram Iancu Square
- the Regional Agency for Environment Protection (ARPM) Sibiu, 2A Hipodromului St, Sibiu county;
- the Alba Agency for Environment Protection (APM), 7B Lalelelor St.;
- Rosia Montana Town Hall, 184, Rosia Montana;
- Abrud Town Hall, 1 Piata Eroilor St., Alba county;

The electronic version of the Draft Environmental Report and the PUZ can be found online at: [www.rmgc.ro](http://www.rmgc.ro); [www.apm-alba.ro](http://www.apm-alba.ro); [www.arpm7c.ro](http://www.arpm7c.ro).

**The participant authorities:**

- The Prefecture of Alba County, Alba County Council, the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Sibiu Regional Agency for Environment Protection, the National Environment Guard – Alba County Commissariat, Alba Environment Protection Agency, the National Administration “Apele Române” – Târgu Mureş branch, the National Administration “Apele Române” – Alba water system management and Aries Hydro-technical System, the County department for Cultures, Cults and National Patrimony of Alba county, Alba Office for Soil and Agro-chemistry Studies, the County department of roads, the Town Hall of Abrud, the Town Hall of Rosia Montana commune, the Town Hall of Bucium commune, the Alba Iulia Inspectorate for Emergencies, Alba Department of Public Health.
- The competent authorities for environment protection and public health of the countries which registered as stakeholders and the interested stakeholders were invited by the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, in line with the Espoo procedure.

***The venues and dates for the public meetings are:***

- Rosia Montana, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2009, 16:30hrs, at the Cultural House from historical center ( Piata) no 318, Rosia Montana, Alba County;
- Campeni, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009, 16:30 hrs, at the Avram Iancu Cultural Centre, 6, Piata Avram Iancu;
- Bucium, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2009, 16:30 hrs, Bucium Izbita Cultural Centre
- Abrud, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2009, 16:30hrs, Sports Hall of the Avram Iancu high-school, str. Closca nr. 3-5

The public debates are open for all the stakeholders, including the stakeholders and authorities from the countries which have the potential of being affected, and registered as stakeholders in accordance with the provisions of the Espoo Convention.

The stakeholders may send observations, comments and proposals, in writing, until 3<sup>rd</sup> of April, 2009, to the following entities:

- the titleholder: SC Rosia Montana Gold Corporation SA, Rosia Montana, no. 323, Piata St. – for the attention of the Public Participation Office, [interespublic@rmgc.ro](mailto:interespublic@rmgc.ro)
- Sibiu Regional Agency for Environment Protection (ARPM), 2A Hipodromului St., Sibiu county; [office@arpm7c.ro](mailto:office@arpm7c.ro)