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## **News Release**

### **Pacifica Resources Adopts Shareholder Rights Plan**

**Vancouver, BC, April 25, 2006** – Pacifica Resources Ltd. (PAX.TSX-V) (“the Company”) today announced that its Board of Directors has adopted a Shareholder Rights Plan (the “Rights Plan”) designed to encourage the fair treatment of shareholders in connection with any takeover offer for the Company.

The Rights Plan addresses the Company’s concerns that existing Canadian legislation does not allow sufficient time, if a takeover bid is made, for either the Board of Directors or the shareholders to properly consider a takeover bid, or for the Board of Directors to seek alternatives to such a bid and also addresses the Company’s concern that all shareholders be treated equally in any transaction involving a change of control of the Company.

The Rights Plan, which is effective immediately but is subject to regulatory and shareholder approval, will provide the Board of Directors of the Company and the shareholders more time to fully consider any unsolicited take-over bid for the Company. It will also allow more time for the Board of Directors to pursue, if appropriate, other alternatives to maximize shareholder value. Shareholders will be asked to confirm the Rights Plan at the Annual and Special Meeting of shareholders to be held on June 1, 2006. If this confirmation is not received, the Rights Plan will terminate.

The rights issued under the Rights Plan become exercisable only when a person, including any party related to it or acting jointly with it, acquires or announces its intention to acquire 20 percent or more of the Company’s outstanding common shares without complying with the “Permitted Bid” provisions of the Rights Plan. Should such an acquisition occur, each right would, upon exercise, entitle a rights holder, other than the acquiring person and related persons, to purchase common shares of the Company at a 50 percent discount to the market price at the time. Certain holdings of common shares, such as positions held by investment managers, trust companies for managed accounts and pension plans will not trigger the Rights Plan unless the holders are participating in making a takeover bid for the Company.

Under the Rights Plan, a Permitted Bid is a bid made to all shareholders that is open for not less than 45 days. If at the end of the 45 days at least 50 percent of the outstanding shares, other than those owned by the offeror and certain related parties, have been tendered, the offeror may take up and pay for the shares but must extend the bid for a further 10 business days to allow other shareholders to tender.

Dr. Harlan Meade, President and Chief Executive Officer of Pacifica, states that “the Rights Plan was not adopted in response to, or in anticipation of, any specific effort to acquire control of the Company and is not aimed at blocking bids, but is designed to ensure that any acquisition of control is through a public offer to all shareholders and that sufficient time is available to evaluate any offer. The Rights Plan is similar to plans adopted by other Canadian public companies.”

Pacifica is a junior resource company focused on exploration for base metals in the Americas. Its Selwyn Project in the Howard's Pass District hosts large tonnages of zinc-lead mineralization. The known deposits have the potential for large scale production of zinc and lead, at a time when World zinc mine supply is in deficit and there are few new mines under development.

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