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AMANTA CLOSES PORTION OF PRIVATE PLACEMENT

Vancouver, B.C. Canada, December 30, 2009 – Amanta Resources Ltd. announces that it has closed a portion of the private placement financing announced December 4, 2009.

The Company completed the sale of 4,650,000 units of the Company, at a price of \$0.07 per unit, for gross proceeds of \$325,500. Each unit consists of one common share and one half of a non-transferable share purchase warrant. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share of the Company at a price of \$0.12 per share for a period of 12 months from closing and for a further 12 months at \$0.15.

The Company has agreed to pay finders' fees in connection with this financing. Finders' fees relating to this first tranche totaled \$6,300 in cash and 54,000 warrants. All of the securities are subject to a hold period expiring April 25, 2010.

Net proceeds from the private placement will principally be used for expenses associated with the ongoing development of the company's Luang Namtha copper project and for general working capital.

The Company also announces that it intends to complete the balance of the previously announced private placement of up to 10,000,000 units at a price of \$0.07 per unit. Each unit will consist of one common share and one half of a non-transferable share purchase warrant. Each warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one common share of the Company at a price of \$0.12 per share for a period of 12 months from closing and for a further 12 months at \$0.15.

Amanta Resources Ltd. is focused on mineral exploration, development and production in Laos and Thailand. The Company is currently developing the Luang Namtha copper project in the Lao PDR, under a Joint Development Agreement with Japan Oil, Gas and Metal National Corporation (JOGMEC). Amanta is also developing gold and tungsten projects in Thailand.

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF
AMANTA RESOURCES LTD.**

**Gerald D. Wright,
President and Chief Executive Officer**

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