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NEWS RELEASE

Minco Silver Receives Extension for the Fuwan Exploration Permit

Minco Silver Corporation (the "Company" or "Minco Silver") (**TSX: MSV; OTCQX: MISVF; WKN: A0ESX5**) is pleased to announce that the Luoke-Jilinggang Exploration Permit (the "Fuwan Exploration Permit") for the Fuwan silver project located in Guangdong province of the People's Republic of China, previously expired on July 20, 2011, has been renewed until July 20, 2013 by the Ministry of Land and Resources of China.

The Company continues to make good progress on the Environmental Impact Assessment (the "EIA") as well as the preliminary mine design on its Fuwan silver project. With approximately \$72 million of working capital, combined with a RMB 300 million (approximately US\$ 46.88 million) debt facility commitment by the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China as previously announced, Minco Silver is fully financed to put the Fuwan silver project into production, upon receiving the EIA.

The Company also announces that Dr. Dianmin Chen, Vice President Operations, resigned for personal reasons effective August 19, 2011. The Company thanks him for his contributions during his tenure, and wishes him well in his future endeavors.

About Minco Silver

Minco Silver Corporation is a TSX and OTCQX listed company focusing on the acquisition and development of silver dominant projects. The Company owns a 90% interest in the world class Fuwan Silver Deposit, situated along the northeast margin of the highly prospective Fuwan Silver Belt in Guangdong China. For more information on Minco Silver, please visit the Company's website at www.mincosilver.ca or contact Ute Koessler at 1-888-288-8288 or (604) 688-8002 ir@mincosilver.ca.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

"Dr. Ken Z. Cai"
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