SilverCrest Mines Inc. (SVL-TSX)

Recent Price: \$1.10 Recommendation: Speculative Buy Target Price: \$2.20 Potential Upside: 100%



Robust Prefeasibility Results Move Santa Elena Another Step Closer to Production

Event: Prefeasibility Study released for Santa Elena project.

Highlights of Prefeasibility Study

Santa Elena Property, Sonora State, Mexico.

- The Base Case economics (US\$800oz gold and US\$12 -\$14oz silver for the first 3 years and \$750oz of gold and \$11.5 per ounce of silver for the life of mine) show a pre-tax IRR of 100% and a pre-tax cash flow of US\$103.7 million. Initial capex is estimated at US\$20 million with payback of approximately 12 months.
- Proven and Probable Reserves total 6.54Mt at 1.61g/t gold, 56.7g/t silver. Represents 339,600oz of gold and 11.92 million oz. of silver. Additional indicated and inferred resources total 198,200oz gold and 11.93 million oz. of silver. An updated resource estimate is being completed.
- Proposed as an initial open pit heap leach operation, ore will be processed at a rate of 2,500tpd and is expected to produce an average of 30,000oz of gold and 500,000oz of silver per year for an estimated mine life of 8 years. Potential for later underground mine development and conventional mill operation being evaluated.
- Sustaining capital costs are estimated at US\$3.7 million over the 8 year openpit mine life. Cash operating costs are estimated at US\$328oz of gold equivalent. Cash operating costs for the first 2 years of production average less than US\$250 per ounce of gold equivalent.
- Management have committed to long lead time equipment such as a 3-stage crusher, a Merrill Crowe recovery plant and gensets for power generation. Mine permitting is progressing ahead of schedule and construction could commence in early Q4 2008. The company has the objective of achieving commercial production during the first half of 2009.

Recommendation

We maintain a SPECULATIVE BUY on SVL shares and have a 12 month target price of \$2.20 per share.



52-Week Range Basic Shares O/S Fully Diluted Shares O Market Capitalization Fiscal Year End Cash (April 2008)		lion on lion · 31	
Stock Ownership	Shares (mm)	<u>%Total</u>	
Institutional Management Public Float Total	9.0 7.1 28.6 44.7	20 16 64 100	

All figures in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated

SilverCrest Mines Inc. is a silver exploration company with properties in northern Mexico and El Salvador. The company is headquartered in Vancouver, Canada.

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