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THE COPPER CLUB, INC. TO HONOR CHILEAN MINE MINISTER LAURENCE GOLBORNE WITH PRESTIGIOUS ANKH AWARD

New York, NY (April 19, 2011) –Today, [The Copper Club, Inc.](#) announced their selection of Chile’s **Minister of Mines, Laurence Golborne** as a recipient of the prestigious **Ankh Award**, for *Excellence in Leadership* for his collaborative role in the successful rescue effort of 33 Chilean miners in 2010.

The award will be presented at The Copper Club’s Annual Dinner, on June 8, 2011, at The Plaza Hotel in New York City. **Masayoshi Matsumoto**, President, Sumitomo Electric Industries has been named 2011 [Copper Man of the Year](#) by the Copper Club, and will receive the Ankh Award for his exemplary and distinguished contribution to the copper industry. Attendees at this special event will include industry leaders from the mining, fabricating, manufacturing and financial service sectors from around the world.

The Copper Club formed in 1944 seeks to promote the interest of the copper industry by honoring those who have forged pathways in the industry and paving new paths for students working toward careers in the industry. The Copper Club will also announce the 2011 recipients of their Educational Grants Program, which assists exceptional students in preparing for careers in fields related to maintenance and expansion of the copper industry. Each grant is \$10,000, awarded to students who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need.

The Copper Club’s Chairman, Arthur Miele, said, “We are pleased to present Minister Golborne with a much-deserved Excellence in Leadership Award for his response and tireless effort in the safe rescue of the 33 Chilean miners this past fall and congratulate him on this well-deserved distinction.”

In addition to this event, being held in New York City during the week of the popular Copper Club Annual Dinner, will be the spring meetings for the Copper Development Association and the International Copper Association, as well as Metal Bulletin’s Global Copper Markets Forum, which will bring together senior executives from the mining, metals and financial sectors to discuss the outlook for the copper industry.

About The Copper Club

The Copper Club was formed in 1944 to convene all participants in the copper industry. It is comprised of copper producers, fabricators, refiners, dealers, traders and merchants. The Copper Club seeks to promote the interests of the copper industry. By honoring those who have forged pathways in the industry and paving new paths for students working toward careers in the industry, The Copper Club ensures the past, present and future of copper.

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