UEX Corporation Announces \$8 Million Bought Deal

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA -- (<u>Marketwire</u> - Feb. 17, 2012) - <u>UEX Corporation</u> (TSX:UEX) ("UEX" or "the Company"), is pleased to announce that it has entered into an agreement with Dundee Securities Ltd. as lead underwriter on behalf of a syndicate of underwriters including Raymond James Ltd. and PI Financial Corp. (the "Underwriters"), to purchase 10,000,000 common shares of the Company (the "Common Shares") at a price of \$0.80 per Common Share for gross proceeds of \$8,000,000 on a bought deal basis (the "Offering").

The Company has also granted the Underwriters an over-allotment option to increase the size of the Offering by up to an additional 10% of the Offering, such option being exercisable in whole or in part at any time prior to 30 days after the closing of the Offering.

Cameco Corporation ("Cameco") has a pre-emptive right under the provisions of the agreement dated October 23, 2001 among UEX, Cameco and Pioneer Metals Corporation to purchase Common Shares from UEX on the same terms and conditions as the Offering so as to maintain its current approximate 22.58% ownership interest in UEX. This right, if exercised, could result in the issuance by UEX of up to 3,208,902 Common Shares in addition to the Common Shares to be issued under the Offering (assuming full exercise of the over-allotment option).

The net proceeds from the Offering will be used to fund exploration and development expenditures at the Company's Hidden Bay and Shea Creek projects and for general corporate purposes.

Closing of the Offering is anticipated to occur on or about March 13, 2012 (the "Closing Date") and is subject to the receipt of applicable regulatory approvals including approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Common Shares will be offered in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Newfoundland by way of a short form prospectus.

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About UEX

UEX is a Canadian uranium exploration and development company actively involved in 18 uranium projects, including six that are 100% owned and operated by UEX, one joint venture with AREVA Resources Canada Inc. ("AREVA") that is operated by UEX, as well as ten joint-ventured with AREVA and one under option from JCU (Canada) Exploration Company, Limited, which are operated by AREVA. The 18 projects, totaling 308,320 hectares (761,875 acres), are located in the eastern, western and northern perimeters of the Athabasca Basin, the world's richest uranium belt, which accounts for approximately 18% of the global primary uranium production. UEX is currently developing several uranium deposits in the Athabasca Basin which include the Kianna, Anne, Colette and 58B deposits at its 49%-owned Shea Creek Project, a joint venture with AREVA in the western Athabasca Basin, and the Horseshoe, Raven and West Bear deposits located at its 100%-owned Hidden Bay Project in the eastern Athabasca Basin.

Forward-Looking Information

This news release may contain statements that constitute "forward-looking information" for the purposes of Canadian securities laws. Such statements are based on UEX's current expectations, estimates, forecasts and projections. Such forward-looking information includes statements regarding UEX's mineral resource

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