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Securities and Exchange Commission

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Form 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Month of November 2007

Commission File Number 000-22731

Minera Andes Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive office)

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MINERA ANDES ANNOUNCES SAN JOSE UPDATE

SPOKANE, WA November 9, 2007 Minera Andes Inc. (TSX: MAI and US OTC: MNEAF) is pleased to announce that the San José mine attained some production during the third quarter commissioning and start-up of the mine. Currently, the mining operation is expected to reach full production by year end and the process plant in commissioning is forecast by Minera Andes to reach full capacity in first half of 2008. The San José project is operated by Minera Santa Cruz S.A. (MSC) is owned 51% by Hochschild Mining plc and 49% by Minera Andes.

In the third quarter of 2007, a stock pile of 60,000 tonnes was in place and the mine processed 27,494 tonnes of ore with an average head grade of 544 g/t silver and 7.2 g/t gold. A total of 182,000 ounces of silver and 3,290 ounces of gold were produced in the third quarter during the commissioning phase and Minera Andes has a 49% interest in this production.

Minera Andes had completed a NI 43-101 technical report which was the subject of a news release on September 17th 2007 and which announced that resources at San José had increased by 62 percent. Surface and underground exploration, development, and drilling at San José project has continued to identify additional reserves and resources. Minera Andes has therefore commissioned AMEC, our independent engineer, to complete a new NI 43-101 report. The new report is expected to be completed on San José shortly.

In November 2007, the board of MSC approved project capital increases of \$42.5 million. These costs are related to the fact that the processing facility at San José is taking longer than anticipated to reach full capacity requiring \$34.1 million in funds to replace the deficit in the planned operating cash flow and capital costs have increased by \$9.2 million due primarily to plant construction and the processing plant. To fund these costs Minera Andes has received an MSC cash call and its portion is \$15.93 million due on January 5, 2008. An additional \$4.9 million may be due by Minera Andes if local debt financing for MSC is not available.

Minera Andes is a gold, silver and copper exploration company working in Argentina. The Corporation holds about 410,000 acres of mineral exploration land in Argentina including the co-owned San José silver/gold mine that has started initial production. Minera Andes is also exploring the Los Azules copper project in San Juan province, where an exploration program is underway to define a resource. Other exploration properties, primarily silver and gold, are being evaluated in southern Argentina. The Corporation presently has 166,832,517 shares issued and outstanding.

This news is submitted by Allen V. Ambrose, president and director of Minera Andes Inc.

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This press release contains certain forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, the statements regarding the Company's strategic plans, evolution of mineral resources and reserves, work programs, development plans and exploration budgets at the Company's San José Project. The forward-looking statements express, as at the date of this press release, the Company's plans, estimates, forecasts, projections, expectations or beliefs as to future events and results. Forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties, and there can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate. Therefore, actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. In particular, there can be no assurance that commercial production at the San José mine will be achieved on a timely basis, or at all, that production capacity at the San José mine will be successfully increased, that resources and reserves at the San José mine will be increased or that Minera Andes will successfully raise the funds necessary to maintain its interest in the San José mine. Risks and uncertainties that could cause results or future events to differ materially from current expectations expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, factors associated with fluctuations in the market price of precious metals, mining industry risks, risks associated with foreign operations, the state of the capital markets, environmental risks and hazards, uncertainty as to calculation of mineral reserves, dilution risks to its 49% ownership by not being able to contribute pro-rata to Minera Santa Cruz S.A. cash calls, and other risks. Minera Andes anticipates raising its 49 percent interest in the current cash call through the sale of equity. Reference is made to the risk factors and uncertainties described in the Company's continuous disclosure record, a copy of which is available under the Company's profile at www.sedar.com. In addition, Minera Andes' joint venture partner, a subsidiary of Hochschild Mining plc, and its affiliates do not accept responsibility for the use of project data or the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

Cautionary Note to U.S. Investors:

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) permits mining companies, in their filings with the SEC, to disclose only those mineral deposits with mineral reserves that a company can economically and legally extract or produce. We use certain terms in this press release, such as mineral resources, that the SEC guidelines strictly prohibit us from including in our filings with the SEC.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MINERA ANDES INC.

By: /s/ Allen V. Ambrose
Allen V. Ambrose, President

Dated: November 9, 2007