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## NEWS RELEASE

### RESOLUTION COPPER ANNOUNCES 2005 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

(SUPERIOR) Arizona (May 17, 2005) – Resolution Copper announced today the recipients of its annual scholarship from Superior, Globe, Miami, Florence and Apache Junction. In total, the company awarded scholarships valued at more than \$30,000.

This 2005 scholarship recipients are: Senyssa Marie Manriquez and Juan Vincente Navarro from Superior High School, Ian Pitterle from Globe High School, Esperanza Celia Luna Lamb from Florence High School, Michael Nicolas Jacott from Miami High School and Tania Santamaria from Apache Junction High School. Winners were selected by a scholarship committee comprised of staff from the respective high schools. Award recipients will be presented with a formal plaque at their respective high school graduation award ceremonies.

“We are encouraged by increased number of applicants and interest in this year’s Resolution Copper scholarship program,” said Bruno Hegner, vice president and general manager for Resolution Copper. “Education is a top priority for Resolution Copper and we will continue to support programs and institutions that encourage learning.”

The Resolution Copper Scholarship program is in its fourth year of awarding scholarships to students interested in furthering their education at an Arizona university, community college, business or trade school. Resolution Copper Scholarship winners are also eligible to participate in the company’s summer internship program and gain valuable work experience. Applications for the 2006 program will be made available in February of next year. More information about the scholarship program is available online at [www.resolutioncopper.com/community/scholarships](http://www.resolutioncopper.com/community/scholarships).

**About Resolution Copper:** Resolution Copper Company is Manager of the Resolution project, a joint venture between Rio Tinto, plc and BHP Billiton, the two largest mining companies in the world. The project is located in the historic Pioneer Mining District three miles east of Superior, Arizona and is the site of the former Magma Mine which operated from 1912-1996.

Resolution Copper is developing a 21<sup>st</sup> century mining operation that combines state-of-the-art technology with sound environmental policy and sustainable development. Anticipated project benefits include more than 1,000 construction jobs and 400 full-time positions, as well as significant positive impacts on Arizona economies through federal, state and local taxes. For more information visit [www.resolutioncopper.com](http://www.resolutioncopper.com).

