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Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of January, 2006

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Entrée Gold Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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INFILL DRILLING OUTLINES ADDITIONAL HIGH-GRADE COPPER AND GOLD MINERALIZATION ON ENTRÉE S COPPER FLATS

Vancouver, B.C., Monday January 16, 2006 - Entrée Gold Inc. (TSX-V: ETG; AMEX: EGI Entrée or the Company) reports that results from recent drilling on the Copper Flats portion of its Lookout Hill property, Mongolia, have confirmed the continuity of previously-reported zones of high-grade copper and gold mineralization. These results are expected to increase the initial mineral resources at Copper Flats.

Drill holes EGD053B, EGD082, EGD085, EGD085A, OTD1219B, OTD1219D and OTD1222B were drilled to better define the extent and grade of high-grade copper and gold mineralization on the southern portion of Copper Flats, north of the joint Entrée Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. (NYSE: IVN; TSX: IVN Ivanhoe) property boundary.

ANALYSIS OF DRILL HOLES

Hole EGD053B was navi-drilled from hole EGD053A and occurs on the same section as holes EGD053 and 053A, previously reported (September 28, 2005 and November 10, 2005, respectively) to host mineralization at an along-strike distance of 625 metres north of the property boundary. This hole intersected 185.5 metres of highly altered quartz monzodiorite that averaged 2.03% copper and 1.00 g/t gold, for a copper equivalent grade* of 2.68% (see Table 1, below and visit Entrée s website at www.entreegold.com for hole locations). The EGD053B mineralized interval lies approximately 150 metres below the mineralization in hole EGD053A and supports previous suggestions that the system is widening with depth. Testing of this section at depth is now continuing with daughter hole EGD053C, which is currently drilling in visibly strong copper mineralization.

Hole EGD082 was collared along an east-west section approximately 150 metres north of the section containing the 053 series of holes. EGD082 was designed to test the next northerly step-out to the mineralized system, but was lost due to drilling difficulties at a down-hole depth of approximately 1425 metres. The hole was in the immediate hangingwall stratigraphy to the mineralized system, which was expected to lie approximately 150 metres below the termination of the hole. Ivanhoe has advised that it will consider drilling a daughter hole from the 053 site and navi-drill it to the northeast to test the system to the north of the 053 section.

Holes EGD085 and EGD085A were collared to the east of the EGD016 series of holes and drilled to the northwest to intersect the mineralized system between previously-reported holes EGD008 (May 13, 2005) and EGD016C (August 4, 2005). Both holes cut weakly mineralized hangingwall stratigraphy above the interpreted top of the mineralized system, as was defined by the EGD008 intercept. A daughter hole (EGD085B) is in progress.

Holes OTD1219B and OTD1219D were navi-drilled from OTD1219, which was collared on Ivanhoe s Oyu Tolgoi property and drilled northwestwards onto Entrée s Copper Flats. OTD1219B intersected 72 metres of highly mineralized quartz monzodiorite on Entrée s Copper Flats ground, approximately midway between previously reported holes EGD016 and EGD008 and approximately 100 metres

vertically below the previously-reported intercept in hole OTD1219A (November 10, 2005). This 72 metre interval averaged 3.99% copper and 1.41 g/t gold, for a copper equivalent grade of 4.91%. Hole OTD1219D (OTD1219C was lost due to technical drilling difficulties) intersected 116 metres of 2.3% copper and 1.13 g/t gold, for a copper equivalent grade of 3.02% copper, approximately 250 metres vertically below the intercept in OTD1219B. This 116 metre interval contained 72 metres of 2.74% copper and 1.03 g/t gold immediately downhole from a 44 metre interval averaging 1.58% copper and 1.31 g/t gold. Daughter hole OTD1219E is in progress.

OTD1222B was collared from the site of previously-reported OTD1218 (September 28, 2005) and intersected the mineralized system approximately 200 metres vertically below the OTD1218 intercepts. A 140 metre intercept in hole OTD1222B averaged 3.91% copper and 1.37 g/t gold for a copper equivalent grade of 4.80%. Holes OTD1222 and OTD1222A were lost due to drilling difficulties.

Table 1 - Summary of Significant Assays Results

EGD053B

Down-hole depth		Interval	Copper	Gold	Copper Equivalent* %
from	to metres	metres	%	g/t	
1410	1510.5	100.5	1.31	0.46	1.61
1510.5	1696	185.5	2.03	1.00	2.68
1696	1724	28	1.29	1.78	2.44

OTD1219B

Down-hole depth		Interval	Copper	Gold	Copper Equivalent* %
from	to metres	metres	%	g/t	
1228	1254	26	1.12	0.10	1.18
1254	1326	72	3.99	1.41	4.91

OTD1219D

Down-hole depth		Interval	Copper	Gold	Copper Equivalent* %
from	to metres	metres	%	g/t	
1454	1498	44	1.58	1.31	2.43
1498	1570	72	2.74	1.03	3.41
Contained within					
1454	1570	116	2.30	1.13	3.02

OTD1222B

Down-hole depth		Interval	Copper	Gold	Copper Equivalent* %
from	to metres	metres	%	g/t	

1416 - 1436	20	1.52	0.12	1.60
1436 - 1576	140	3.91	1.37	4.80

*** Copper equivalent grades have been calculated using assumed metal prices (US\$0.90/lb. for copper and US\$400/oz. for gold); %Cu equivalent = %Cu + [Au(g/t)x(11.25/17.64)]**

Holes currently in progress include: EGD053C, EGD085B, OTD1219E and EGD081B.

QUALITY ASSURANCE AND CONTROL

Robert Cann, P.Geo., Entrée's Vice-President, Exploration and a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, is responsible for the preparation of technical information in the Company's news

releases. SGS Mongolia LLC prepares the split core at the project site and assays all samples at its facility in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Ivanhoe's QA/QC program is monitored by independent consultant Dr. Barry Smeed, P.Geo., and managed on site by Dale Sketchley, M.Sc., P.Geo. Prepared standards and blanks are inserted at the sample preparation lab at the project site to monitor the quality control of the assay data.

ABOUT ENTRÉE GOLD INC.

Entrée Gold Inc. (www.entreegold.com) is a junior mineral exploration company focused on gold and copper prospects. The Company is a large landholder in Mongolia's south Gobi Desert, near the Chinese border. Entrée maintains 100% interest in the 179,590 hectare Lookout Hill (Shivee Tolgoi) property which completely surrounds Ivanhoe's 8,500 hectare, Turquoise Hill (Oyu Tolgoi) holdings.

Under an Earn-In Agreement announced in October 2004, Ivanhoe has the right to earn an interest in approximately 22% (40,000 hectares) of Entrée's Lookout Hill property. By the terms of the agreement, Ivanhoe must spend a minimum of US\$20 million in order to earn any interest in the mineral rights to the project property and may acquire up to a 70% interest in mineralization above a depth of 560 metres and an 80% interest in mineralization below a depth of 560 metres by spending US\$35 million. Thereafter, Entrée has the right to require Ivanhoe to fund its share of subsequent joint venture costs through to production, to be recovered from production cash flow.

The Company is well funded, with approximately CDN\$25 million in its treasury, to explore its wholly-owned projects in Mongolia. In addition, it continues to review new project opportunities globally.

Entrée is a Tier 1 listed company that trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol **ETG** and on the AMEX under the symbol **EGI**.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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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.

ENTRÉE GOLD INC.

(Registrant)

Date January 16, 2006

By:

/s/ Hamish Malkin

Hamish Malkin

Secretary and Chief Financial Officer