



News Release

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Westmoreland Schedules Investor Conference Call for August 4, 2011

Colorado Springs, CO – July 29, 2011 – Westmoreland Coal Company (NASDAQ: WLB) today announced that it will release its 2011 second quarter results before the market opens on Thursday, August 4, 2011, and host a conference call at 10:00 a.m. EST on Thursday, August 4 to discuss the results. Keith E. Alessi, President and Chief Executive Officer will conduct the call.

When: August 4, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time

How: By Internet: Log onto the Investors/Investor Webcast page of the Company's web site at: www.westmoreland.com at least 20 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the call to download and install any necessary audio software.

By Phone: Dial toll free (877) 407-8033 five to ten minutes before the scheduled start of the conference call. International calls dial (201) 689-8033.

Replay: A telephone replay will be available until August 18, 2011 at 11:59 p.m. Replay toll free number: 1-877-660-6853. International replay number: 1-201-612-7415. Replay pass codes (needed for playback): Conference ID # 376213, Account # 286.

An on-demand replay of the conference call will be available on the Company's web site beginning shortly after the call.

Westmoreland Coal Company is the oldest independent coal company in the United States. The Company's coal operations include coal mining in the Powder River Basin in Montana and lignite mining operations in Montana, North Dakota and Texas. Its power operations include ownership of the two-unit ROVA coal-fired power plant in North Carolina. For more information, visit www.westmoreland.com.

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