

TASEKO MINES LTD  
Form 6-K  
December 17, 2008

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, DC 20549

**FORM 6-K**

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**CIK # 878518**

as at December 11, 2008

**TASEKO MINES LIMITED**  
**800 West Pender Street, Suite 1020**  
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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.

By: /s/ Russell E. Hallbauer  
Director and Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 16, 2008

Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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## **TASEKO MINES LIMITED GIBRALTAR RESERVE UPDATE**

**December 11, 2008 - Vancouver, BC** - Taseko Mines Limited (TSX:TKO; AMEX:TGB) ("Taseko" or the "Company") announces a 28% increase in mineral reserves at its 100% owned Gibraltar Mine.

Taseko's recently completed drill program and engineering study on the newly acquired Oakmont ground which has confirmed an extension of the Gibraltar mineral deposit (Gibraltar Extension) and as a result Gibraltar's ore reserves have been increased by approximately 105 million tons or 28% to 472 million tons.

This increase in reserves will add roughly 640 million pounds of recoverable copper to Gibraltar's reserve base of 2.1 billion pounds bringing that total to 2.7 billion pounds of copper, and under present operations extends Gibraltar's mine life to 2035.

Russell Hallbauer, President and CEO of Taseko commented, "In the world in which we find ourselves today with respect to mineral resource development it cannot be overstated how important large mineral reserves in secure political jurisdictions such as British Columbia are for a company.

With conservative long term metal price projections, our Gibraltar Mine will be operational for nearly three more decades, providing returns to our shareholders, as well as significant economic benefits to our employees and the local communities.

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In the near term as a result of metal production increases, low cost hydro electric power, a low and declining tax regime, significantly reduced input costs combined with the Canadian/US dollar exchange rate, Gibraltar's cost profile will be significantly lower than that experienced over the past 18 months.

With our newly optimized mining plans, our access to efficient rail and port facilities combined with a skilled and motivated workforce, complemented by supportive mining focused government policies we anticipate Gibraltar remaining operational during this period of financial turmoil and weakened copper prices.

This continued increase in our ore reserves supports the business plan we embarked on 24 months ago, whereby we would transform Gibraltar from a high cost swing producer to one that could continue to operate over the long term at varying copper prices."

Gibraltar's proven and probable reserves as of December 31, 2008 are tabulated below:

Gibraltar Mine Mineral Reserves As at December 31, 2008 <sup>1</sup> At 0.20% copper cut-off				
Pit	Category	Tons (millions)	Cu (%)	Mo (%)
	Proven	40.4	0.296	0.010
	Probable	14.8	0.271	0.009
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>55.2</b>	<b>0.289</b>	<b>0.010</b>
Gibraltar East	Proven	66.8	0.286	0.008
	Probable	33.3	0.285	0.013
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>100.1</b>	<b>0.286</b>	<b>0.010</b>
Granite	Proven	186.7	0.324	0.009
	Probable	25.7	0.319	0.009
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>212.4</b>	<b>0.323</b>	<b>0.009</b>
Gibraltar Extension (new reserves)	Proven	75.4	0.352	0.002
	Probable	29.3	0.304	0.002
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>104.7</b>	<b>0.339</b>	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>472.4</b>	<b>0.315</b>	<b>0.008</b>

<sup>1</sup> Based on the projected mineral reserves at the reserve statement date based on current production rates.

The mineral reserves stated above are contained within the following mineral resources:

**Gibraltar Mine Mineral Resources  
As at December 31, 2008  
At 0.20% copper cut-off**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ton (millions)</b>	<b>Cu %</b>	<b>Mo (%)</b>
Measured	597.7	0.302	0.008
Indicated	361.0	0.290	0.008
<b>Total</b>	<b>958.7</b>	<b>0.298</b>	<b>0.008</b>

The mineral resource and reserve estimations were completed by Gibraltar mine staff under the supervision of Scott Jones, P.Eng., Vice-President, Engineering and a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101. Mr Jones has verified the methods used to determine grade and tonnage in the geological model, reviewed the long range mine plan, and directed the updated economic evaluation. The estimates for the Gibraltar Extension used long term metal prices of US\$1.75/lb for copper and US\$10.00/lb for molybdenum and a foreign exchange of C\$0.82 per US dollar while the estimates for the balance of the reserves used long term metal prices of US\$1.50/lb for copper and US\$10.00/lb for molybdenum and a foreign exchange of C\$0.80 per US dollar. Mr Jones has reviewed this release. A technical report will be filed on [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

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Russell Hallbauer  
President and CEO

No regulatory authority has approved or disapproved of the information contained in this news release.

**Forward Looking Statements**

This release includes certain statements that may be deemed "forward-looking statements". All statements in this release, other than statements of historical facts, that address future production, reserve potential, exploration drilling, exploitation activities and events or developments that the Company expects are forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes the expectations expressed in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements include capital market conditions, commodities market prices, exploitation and exploration successes, lack of continuity of mineralization, completion of the mill upgrade on time estimated and at scheduled cost, continued availability of capital and financing, and general economic, market or business conditions. Investors are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. For more information on the Company, Investors should review the Company's annual Form 40-F filing with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or the Company's home jurisdiction filings at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).