

GOLD RESERVE INC
Form 6-K
April 17, 2007

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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

For the Month of April 2007

Commission file number 001-31819

GOLD RESERVE INC.

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Filed with this Form 6-K is the following, which is incorporated herein by reference:

99.1 News Release
April 16, 2007

GOLD RESERVE PARTICIPATES IN SHORT COURSE ON EQUATOR PRINCIPLES

Certain statements included herein, including those that express management's expectations or estimates of our future performance or concerning the Brisas Project, constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management at this time, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies. We caution that such forward-looking statements involve known and

unknown risks, uncertainties and other risks that may cause the actual financial results, performance, or

achievements of Gold Reserve Inc. to be materially different from our estimated future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements. Numerous factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, including without limitation, concentration of operations and assets in Venezuela; corruption and uncertain legal enforcement; requests for improper payments; regulatory, political and economic risks associated with Venezuelan operations (including changes in previously established legal regimes, rules or processes); the ability to obtain or maintain the necessary permits or additional funding for the development of the Brisas Project; in the event any key findings or assumptions previously determined by us or our experts in conjunction with our 2005 bankable feasibility study (as updated or modified from time to time) significantly differ or change as a result of actual results in our expected construction and production at the Brisas Project (including capital and operating cost estimates); risk that actual mineral reserves may vary considerably from estimates presently made; impact of currency, metal prices and metal production volatility; fluctuations in energy prices; changes in proposed development plans (including technology used); our dependence upon the abilities and continued participation of certain key employees; and risks normally incident to the operation and development of mining properties. This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of the Company's forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. The Company disclaims any intent or obligation to update publicly these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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.

GOLD RESERVE INC.
(Registrant)

By: s/ Robert A. McGuinness
Vice President Finance & CFO
April 16, 2007

Exhibit Index

The following is filed as an exhibit to this Form 6-K:

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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SPOKANE, WASHINGTON April 16, 2007

Gold Reserve Inc. (TSX: GRZ AMEX:GRZ) today announced that Don Proebstel, PhD, VP of Environmental Affairs and Sustainability will assist in conducting a series of workshops sponsored by Prizma LLC entitled: Equator Principles and IFC Performance Standards Impacts on Mining Projects and Finance. This event will be held April 18 in Vancouver, Canada, with future presentations scheduled in Toronto and London.

Dr. Proebstel will highlight the Gold Reserve Brisas Project in Venezuela as a model for the application of the newly revised social and environmental benchmarks defined by Equator Principles and IFC Performance Standards to modern mining projects. It will include strategies developed to maintain Gold Reserve's commitments to social and environmental sustainability, focusing on areas such as: community engagement and development, biodiversity offsets and indigenous peoples concerns. The workshops will emphasize various approaches to enhance corporate predictability, transparency, and accountability.

Dr. Proebstel joined Gold Reserve in 2006. Previously, he worked on the Brisas International Environmental and Social Impact Assessment while employed at AATA International, Fort Collins, Colorado. Doug Belanger, President, stated, "We are very fortunate to have engaged Don to oversee environmental sustainability matters for the Brisas project and are proud to support his participation in these workshops. Don has extensive international experience in environmental and social matters and is firmly committed to positioning Gold Reserve at the forefront of the social and environmental benchmarks defined by Equator Principles and IFC Performance Standards."

More information on the short course is available at: www.prizmasolutions.com.

Gold Reserve Inc. is a Canadian company developing the Brisas gold copper project in Southeastern Venezuela. Brisas has NI-43-101 reserves of 485 million tonnes of ore grading 0.67 grams per tonne gold and 0.13% copper containing 10.4 million ounces of gold and 1.3 billion pounds of copper (using a revenue cutoff grade of US \$3.04 per tonne and a gold price of US \$400 and a copper price of US \$1.15 per pound). The Company expects to finance the construction of Brisas with a combination of debt and equity. The mine plan anticipates using conventional truck and shovel mining methods with the processing of ore at full production of 70,000 tonnes per day, yielding an average annual production of 456,000 ounces of gold and 60 million pounds of copper for a mine life of 18.5 years. Using copper as a byproduct, operating costs are expected to be US \$126 per ounce (using US \$1.80 copper). With only 42.6 million shares outstanding Gold Reserve has one of the highest leverages to gold in the mining industry. The Company currently has US \$22 million in cash and investments and no debt. For more detailed information please see the news release from November 13, 2006 representing an update to the Company's NI-43-101 report. This can be obtained at our website at www.goldreserveinc.com or www.sedar.com.

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such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other risk factors that may cause the actual financial results, performance, or achievements of Gold Reserve to be materially different from our estimated future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by those forward looking statements. These are discussed in greater detail in Gold Reserve's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov and the Annual Information Form and other reports filed with Canadian provincial securities commissions at www.sedar.com. Gold Reserve expressly disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward looking statement whether as a result of new information, events or otherwise.

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