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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM F-10 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SEABRIDGE GOLD INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Canada 1040 none
(Province or other jurisdiction of Classification Code Number) Identification Number)

Canada 1040 none
(IRS. Employer Identification Number)

106 Front Street East, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5A 1E1, (416) 367-9292 (Address and telephone number of Registrant's principal executive offices)

Corporation Service Company, 1180 Sixth Avenue, New York, New York 10036, (212) 299-5656 (Name, address (including zip code) and telephone number (including area code) of agent for service in the United States)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

Province of Ontario, Canada (Principal jurisdiction regulating this offering (if applicable))

It is proposed that this filing shall become effective (check appropriate box below):

- A. upon filing with the Commission, pursuant to Rule 467(a) (if in connection with an offering being made ocontemporaneously in the United States and Canada).
 - B. bat some future date (check appropriate box below)
- 1. opursuant to Rule 467(b) on () at () (designate a time not sooner than seven calendar days after filing).
- 2. pursuant to Rule 467(b) on () at () (designate a time seven calendar days or sooner after filing) because the osecurities regulatory authority in the review jurisdiction has issued a receipt or notification of clearance on ().
- 3. pursuant to Rule 467(b) as soon as practicable after notification of the Commission by the Registrant or the oCanadian securities regulatory authority of the review jurisdiction that a receipt or notification of clearance has been issued with respect hereto.
 - 4. þafter the filing of the next amendment to this Form (if preliminary material is being filed).

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to the home jurisdiction's shelf prospectus offering procedures, check the following box. þ

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of
Securities to be
Registered
Registered
Registered(1)
Proposed Maximum
Aggregate Offering
Amount of Registration
Price (2)(3)(4)
Fee

Common Shares US\$ 94,660,000 US\$ 94,660,000 US\$ 6,750

- (1) There are being registered under this Registration Statement such indeterminate number of common shares of the Registrant as shall have an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed CDN\$100,000,000. The proposed maximum initial offering price per common share will be determined, from time to time, by the Registrant in connection with the sale of the common shares under this Registration Statement.
- (2) In United States dollars or the equivalent thereof in Canadian dollars.
- (3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").
- (4) U.S. dollar amounts are calculated based on the maximum aggregate offering price of CDN\$100,000,000 converted to U.S. dollars based on the noon buying rate as reported by the Bank of Canada of CDN\$1.00 = US\$0.9466 on January 22, 2010.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registration Statement shall become effective as provided in Rule 467 under the Securities Act, or on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Securities Act, may determine.

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PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE DELIVERED TO OFFEREES OR PURCHASERS

Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED JANUARY 26, 2010

PRELIMINARY BASE SHELF PROSPECTUS

SEABRIDGE GOLD INC.

CDN\$100,000,000

COMMON SHARES

Seabridge Gold Inc. (the "Company" or "Seabridge") may offer for sale and issue, from time to time, Common shares of the Company ("Common Shares") with the total gross proceeds not to exceed CDN\$100,000,000 during the 25 month period that this short form base shelf prospectus (this "Prospectus"), including any amendments hereto, remains effective. The Common Shares may be offered in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined based on market conditions at the time of sale and set forth in an accompanying shelf prospectus supplement.

The specific terms of the Common Shares in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered will be set forth in the applicable shelf prospectus supplement and will include the number of Common Shares offered, the offering price and any other specific terms.

All shelf information permitted under applicable laws to be omitted from this Prospectus will be contained in one or more shelf prospectus supplements that will be delivered to purchasers together with this Prospectus. Each shelf prospectus supplement will be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus for the purposes of securities legislation as of the date of the shelf prospectus supplement and only for the purposes of the distribution of the Common Shares to which the shelf prospectus supplement pertains.

An investment in the Common Shares involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully read the "Risk Factors" section in this Prospectus.

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This offering is made by a Canadian issuer that is permitted under a multi-jurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the United States and Canada to prepare this Prospectus in accordance with Canadian disclosure requirements. Prospective investors should be aware that such requirements are different from those of the United States. The Company prepares its financial statements, including those incorporated herein by reference, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("Canadian GAAP"), and such financial statements are subject to Canadian auditing and auditor independence standards. The Company's financial statements may not be comparable to financial statements of United States companies.

Prospective investors should be aware that the acquisition and disposition of Common Shares may have tax consequences both in the United States and in Canada. This Prospectus or any applicable shelf prospectus supplement may not describe these tax consequences fully. Prospective investors should read the tax discussion contained in this Prospectus and any applicable shelf prospectus supplement with respect to a particular offering of Common Shares.

The enforcement of civil liabilities under the United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that Seabridge exists under the federal laws of Canada, many of the Company's officers and directors are residents of Canada, some or all of the experts named in this Prospectus are residents of Canada, and most of the Company's assets and the assets of said persons are located outside the United States.

Neither the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), nor any state securities regulator, has approved or disapproved of the Common Shares offered hereby, passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Prospectus or determined if this Prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence.

This Prospectus constitutes a public offering of Common Shares only in those jurisdictions where they may be lawfully offered for sale and therein only by persons permitted to sell the Common Shares. Seabridge may offer and sell Common Shares to, or through, underwriters or dealers and also may offer and sell Common Shares directly to other purchasers or through agents pursuant to exemptions from registration or qualification under applicable securities laws. The shelf prospectus supplement relating to each issue of Common Shares offered thereby will set forth the names of any underwriters, dealers or agents involved in the offering and sale of the Common Shares and will set forth the terms of the offering of the Common Shares, the method of distribution of Common Shares, including, to the extent applicable, the proceeds to the Company and any fees, discounts or any other compensation payable to underwriters, dealers or agents, and any other material terms of the plan of distribution.

In connection with any offering of Common Shares, the underwriters may over-allot or effect transactions which stabilize or maintain the market price of the Common Shares at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. Such transactions, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time. See "Plan of Distribution".

The Common Shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") under the symbol "SEA" and the NYSE AMEX Equities (formerly the American Stock Exchange) ("AMEX") under the symbol "SA". The closing price of the Common Shares on the TSX and AMEX on January 25, 2010 was CDN\$28.80 and US\$27.38 per share, respectively.

The Company's registered office is at 10th Floor, 595 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 2T5.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this Prospectus or any shelf prospectus supplement. Seabridge has not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. Seabridge is not making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should bear in mind that the information contained in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement is accurate as of the date on the front of such documents and that information contained in any document incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of that document. Such information may also be amended, supplemented or updated by the subsequent filing of additional documents deemed by law to be or otherwise incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and by any subsequently filed prospectus amendments.

This Prospectus provides a general description of the securities that the Company may offer. Each time the Company sells securities under this Prospectus, it will provide you with a shelf prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The shelf prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this Prospectus. Before investing in any securities, you should read both this Prospectus and any applicable shelf prospectus supplement together with additional information described below under "Documents Incorporated by Reference" and "Available Information".

This Prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form F-10 relating to the Common Shares that the Company filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). This Prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement, certain parts of which are omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. If you are a U.S. resident or are otherwise subject to United States securities laws, you should refer to the registration statement and the exhibits to the registration statement for further information.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement to "Seabridge" or the "Company" includes Seabridge Gold Inc. and each of its subsidiaries.

The following table sets forth the factors for converting imperial measurements to metric equivalents:

To Convert From	To	Multiply By
Feet	Meters	0.305
Meters	Feet	3.281
Miles	Kilometers	1.609
Kilometers	Miles	0.6214
Acres	Hectares	0.405
Hectares	Acres	2.471
Grams	Ounces (Troy)	0.03215
Grams/Tonne	Ounces (Troy)/Short Ton	0.02917
Tonnes (metric)	Pounds	2,205
Tonnes (metric)	Short Tons	1.1023

See "Glossary of Technical Terms" for a description of some important technical terms used or to be used in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement and the documents incorporated by reference herein. A more detailed glossary appears in the Company's annual information form dated March 30, 2009 for the year ended December 31, 2008 (the "AIF"), which is incorporated herein by reference.

CAUTIONARY NOTE TO UNITED STATES INVESTORS

The Company is permitted under a multi-jurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the securities regulatory authorities in Canada and the United States to prepare this Prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference herein, in accordance with the requirements of Canadian securities laws, which differ from the requirements of U.S. securities laws. National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") is a rule developed by the Canadian Securities Administrators that establishes standards for all public disclosure an issuer makes of scientific and technical information concerning mineral projects. Unless otherwise indicated, all resource estimates contained in or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus have been prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 and the Canadian Institute of Mining Metallurgy and Petroleum Classification System. These standards differ significantly from the requirements of the SEC, and resource information contained herein and incorporated by reference herein may not be comparable to similar information disclosed by U.S. companies.

Without limiting the foregoing, this Prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference herein, uses the terms "measured", "indicated" and "inferred" resources. U.S. investors are cautioned that, while such terms are recognized and required by Canadian securities laws, the SEC does not recognize them. Under U.S. standards, mineralization may not be classified as a "reserve" unless the determination has been made that the mineralization could be economically and legally produced or extracted at the time the reserve determination is made. U.S. investors are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of measured or indicated resources will ever be converted into reserves.

U.S. investors should also understand that "inferred resources" have a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence and great uncertainty as to their economic and legal feasibility. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of the "inferred resources" exist, are economically or legally mineable or will ever be upgraded to a higher category. Therefore, U.S. investors are also cautioned not to assume that all or any part of the inferred resources exist, or that they can be mined legally or economically. Disclosure of "contained ounces" in a mineral resource is permitted disclosure under Canadian regulations; however, the SEC normally only permits issuers to report "resources" as in place tonnage and grade without reference to unit measures. Accordingly, information concerning descriptions of mineralization and resources contained in this Prospectus, or in the documents incorporated by reference, may not be comparable to information made public by U.S. companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements of the SEC.

NOTICE REGARDING PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial statements incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement, and the selected consolidated financial data derived therefrom included in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement, are presented in Canadian dollars. In this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement, references to "CDN\$" or "\$" are to Canadian dollars and references to "US\$" are to United States dollars. See "Exchange Rate Information".

The financial statements incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement, and the selected consolidated financial data derived therefrom included in this Prospectus and any shelf prospectus supplement, have been prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP. Canadian GAAP differs in some material respects from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP"), and so these financial statements are not comparable to the financial statements of U.S. companies. For a discussion of the principal differences between the Company's financial results as calculated under Canadian GAAP and U.S. GAAP, prospective investors should refer to the Company's audited related supplemental note entitled "Reconciliation with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles – Item 18" as at December 31, 2008 and 2007 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008, and the unaudited related supplemental note entitled "Reconciliation with United States

Generally Accepted Accounting Principles – Item 18" as at September 30, 2009 and for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2009 and 2008. See "Documents Incorporated by Reference."

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into this Prospectus contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and forward-looking information within the meaning of Canadian securities laws concerning the Company's projects, business approach and plans, including estimated production, capital, operating and cash flow estimates and other matters at the Company's KSM Project and Courageous Lake Project (each as defined herein). Any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance (often, but not always, using words or phrases such as "expects", "anticipates", "plans", "projects", "estimates", "assumes", "intends", "strategy", "goals", "objectives" or variations thereof or stating that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved, or the negative of any of these terms and similar expressions) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements and forward-looking information (collectively referred to in the following information simply as "forward-looking statements"). In addition, statements concerning mineral resource estimates constitute forward-looking statements to the extent that they involve estimates of the mineralization expected to be encountered if a mineral property is developed.

Forward-looking statements are necessarily based on estimates and assumptions made by the Company in light of its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments. In making the forward-looking statements in this Prospectus the Company has applied several material assumptions including, but not limited to, the assumption that: (1) market fundamentals will result in sustained demand and prices for gold and copper, and to a much lesser degree, silver and molybdenum; (2) the potential for production at its mineral projects will continue operationally, legally and economically; (3) any additional financing needed will be available on reasonable terms; and (4) estimated resources at the Company's projects have merit and there is continuity of mineralization as reflected in such estimates.

Forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including, without limitation:

• the Company's history of losses and expectation of future losses;

•risks related to the Company's ability to finance its exploration activities and future development activities through joint ventures, the sale of property interests or obtaining suitable financing;

- uncertainty of whether there are any economic reserves existing on the Company's mineral properties;
 - uncertainties relating to the assumptions underlying the Company's resource estimates;
 - uncertainty of estimates of capital costs, operating costs, production and economic returns;
 - risks related to commercially producing precious metals from the Company's mineral properties;
 - risks related to fluctuations in the market price of gold, copper and other metals;
 - risks related to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates;

mining, exploration and development risks that could result in damage to mineral properties, plant and equipment, personal injury, environmental damage and delays in mining, which may be uninsurable;

risks related to obtaining all necessary permits and governmental approvals for exploration and development activities, including in respect of environmental regulation;

- uncertainty related to title to the Company's mineral properties;
 - risks related to unsettled First Nations rights and title;

risks related to increases in demand for exploration, development and construction services equipment, and related cost increases:

- increased competition in the mining industry;
- the Company's need to attract and retain qualified management and personnel;

risks related to some of the Company's directors' and officers' involvement with other natural resource companies; and

• the Company's classification as a "passive foreign investment company" under the United States tax code.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect any of the Company's forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements about the future and are inherently uncertain, and actual achievements of the Company or other future events or conditions may differ materially from those reflected in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of risks, uncertainties and other factors, including, without limitation, those referred to in this Prospectus under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this Prospectus, in any applicable shelf prospectus supplement, and in the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein. In addition, although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual achievements, events or conditions to differ materially from those identified in the forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause achievements, events or conditions not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. It is also noted that while Seabridge engages in exploration and development of its properties, it will not undertake production activities by itself.

These forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs, expectations and opinions of management on the date the statements are made and the Company does not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements, except as required by applicable securities laws, if circumstances or management's beliefs, expectations or opinions should change. For the reasons set forth above, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

EXCHANGE RATE INFORMATION

This Prospectus contains references to United States dollars and Canadian dollars. The following table sets out, for each period indicated, the high and low exchange rates for one Canadian dollar expressed in United States dollars, the average of such exchange rates during such period, and the exchange rate at the end of such period based on the noon buying rate as reported by the Bank of Canada:

Year Ended December 31, 2006 2007

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Nine Months Ended September 30,