
El Nino Ventures Closes First Tranche of Non Brokered Private Placement

April 1, 2011, Vancouver, Canada – El Niño Ventures Inc. (“ELN” and the “Company”) (TSXV: ELN; Frankfurt: E7Q) is pleased to announce that it has closed tranche one of its previously announced non-brokered flow-through and non-flow-through unit financing raising gross proceeds of \$1,988,859.60.

The Company issued 21,983,709 non flow-through units (NFT Units) at \$0.07 per NFT Unit. Each NFT Unit consists of one common share and one-half share purchase warrant (Warrant). Each whole Warrant entitles the holder to subscribe for one additional common share of the Company at \$0.10 per share for a period of 18 months from closing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the closing price of the common shares of the Company on the TSX Venture Exchange is at least \$0.15 per share for any 10 consecutive trading days, the Company may accelerate the expiry time of the Warrants to 30 calendar days from the date express written notice is provided by the Company to the warrant holder.

In addition, the Company issued 4,500,000 flow-through units (FT Units) at \$0.10 per FT Unit. Each FT Unit consists of one common flow-through share and one-half non flow-through share purchase warrant (Warrant). Each whole Warrant will entitle the holder to subscribe for one additional non flow-through common share of the Company at \$0.20 per share for a period of one year from closing.

The Company paid \$27,598 in finder’s fees in connection with this closing. All of the securities issued in connection with this closing carry a legend restricting them from trading until July 29, 2011.

The proceeds of this private placement will be used to acquire new projects in North America, Africa and general working capital.

About El Niño Ventures Inc:

El Niño Ventures Inc. is an exploration company, focused on exploring for Copper/Cobalt in the Democratic Republic of Congo (“DRC”). In addition the Company had entered into an Option agreement with Votorantim and Xstrata Zinc whereby Votorantim, by incurring exploration expenditures of \$10 million over a period of 5 years. Votorantim may further elect to increase its interest to 70% by spending another \$10 million over an additional two years. The Votorantim option is on an extensive land package in the Bathurst Mining Camp that ELN currently shares 50/50 with Xstrata Zinc Canada.

In February 2011, ELN announced that a \$5 million exploration program has begun consisting of airborne and ground geophysics and will include a 10,000 metre drill program which is slated for commencement in the spring of 2011. (See press release dated February 23, 2011).

ELN's management is aggressively negotiating to acquire additional projects in an international scale that meet our corporate objectives.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors,

“Harry Barr”

Harry Barr, Chairman & Acting CEO

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