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**FIRST TRANCHE CLOSING
NON-BROKERED PRIVATE PLACEMENT**

August 25, 2009 Vancouver, BC – El Niño Ventures Inc. (“ELN” and “the Company”) (TSX.V: ELN; Frankfurt: E7Q) is pleased to announce that further to its news release of July 27, 2009 the Company has closed the first tranche of its non-brokered private placement and has issued a total of 5,660,000 units at a purchase price of \$0.08 per unit for gross proceeds of \$452,800.

Each unit consisted of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase an additional common share at a price of \$0.15 per share for 18 months, subject to accelerated expiry, such expiry being accelerated to 30 days in the event the Company’s shares have closed at or above a price of \$0.25 per share for ten consecutive trading days.

In connection with this closing of the first tranche of this financing, the Company has paid a finder’s fee consisting of an aggregate of \$13,184 in cash and has issued 206,000 finder warrants. Each finder warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at a purchase price of \$0.15 per share for 18 months, subject to accelerated expiry, such expiry being accelerated to 30 days in the event the Company’s shares have closed at or above a price of \$0.25 per share for ten consecutive trading days.

In compliance with Canadian securities laws, all of the securities issued in connection with this closing are subject to a hold period expiring on December 21, 2009.

About El Niño Ventures Inc

El Niño Ventures is a junior exploration company, focused on exploring for Copper/Cobalt in the Democratic Republic of Congo (“DRC”). El Niño has an option to acquire a 70% interest in over 350 square kilometers in the world renowned copper belt in the DRC. In addition to our Copper and Cobalt projects in the DRC, the Company holds a 50 percent interest on an extensive land package in the Bathurst Mining Camp with Xstrata Zinc Canada.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors,

“Jean Luc Roy”

Jean Luc Roy, President and CEO

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