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## LABRADOR NICKEL EXPLORATION COMMENCES

Celtic Minerals Ltd., (CME:TSX-VEN) is pleased to announce that field work has started on Celtic's exploration projects in the Voisey's Bay nickel district, northern Labrador. This season's exploration efforts will be focussed on the Kingurutik and Black Duck project areas. Interpretation of the recently completed Versatile Time Domain Electromagnetic (VTEM) airborne geophysical survey shows the presence of 17 priority areas on the Kingurutik nickel project which have been selected for immediate field evaluation. In the Black Duck project area, a further 12 mapped ultramafic bodies with EM conductors have been prioritized and numerous other EM/Magnetic anomalies have been selected for follow-up. Pending the completion of geochemical work and ground truthing, drill testing is expected to be initiated within two weeks. A drill has been mobilized and stands ready on Celtic lands.

Celtic views the Kingurutik and Black Duck project areas as being highly prospective, and under explored. In particular, a large portion of the Black Duck project area hasn't been open for exploration since their designation as Exempt Mineral Lands "EMLs". The EMLs were designated following the Voisey's Bay discovery, where exploration was prohibited pending land claim negotiations with First Nations. The EMLs were subsequently opened to staking in 2007, at which time Celtic began to assemble its Black Duck project area. The combination of highly anomalous geochemical readings, favourable geology as evidenced by numerous large ultramafic outcrops, along with strong EM and magnetic signatures makes the Black Duck area a priority exploration target.

The Kingurutik project area totals 3598 claims or 899.5 sq km, and the Black Duck project area totals 1364 claims or 341 sq km. Celtic is the most active junior exploration company in the Voisey's Bay nickel district and holds the region's largest land position.

Mark Graves, P.Geo., exploration manager for Celtic Minerals Ltd. is the qualified person who has reviewed the content of this news release.

Celtic encourages the public to visit its website at [www.celticminerals.com](http://www.celticminerals.com) for additional information on the various projects or to email us at [info@celticminerals.com](mailto:info@celticminerals.com) to be added to the Company's e-mail list for press releases and updates.

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