

## El Niño Ventures Grants Incentive Stock Options

April 26, 2011, Vancouver, Canada -- El Niño Ventures Inc. ("ELN" and the "Company") (TSX.V: ELN; Frankfurt: E7Q) wishes to announce that 4,000,000 incentive stock options have been granted to various directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.17 per common share for a period of five years. The foregoing is subject to regulatory approval.

### About El Niño Ventures.

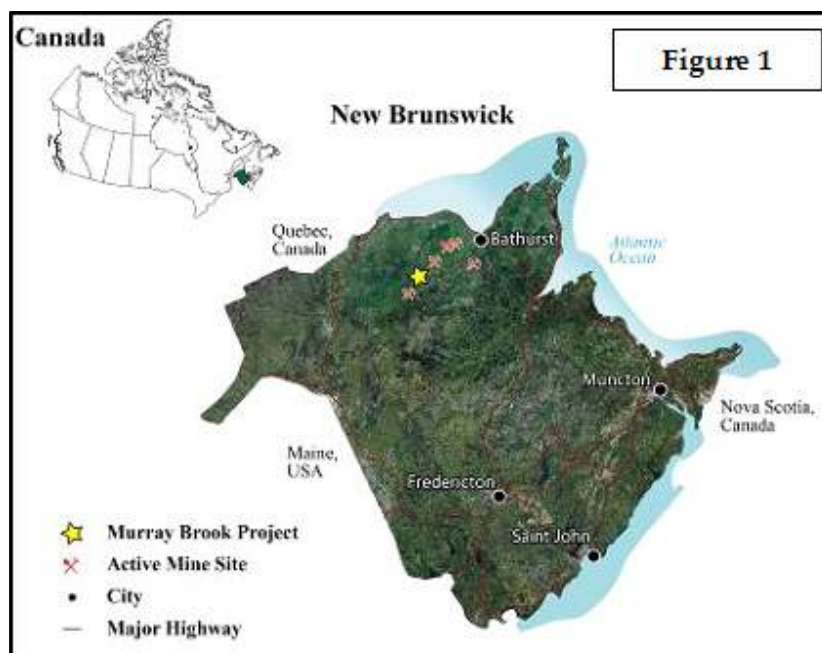
El Niño Ventures Inc. is an exploration company, focused on exploring for Copper/Cobalt in the Democratic Republic of Congo ("DRC").

In Canada, El Niño holds a 50% interest in an extensive base metal project located within the Bathurst mining camp in Bathurst, New Brunswick, where earlier drilling campaigns have been carried out on several historical deposits of lead, zinc and copper mineralization within the large claim block owned 50% ELN, 50% Xstrata Zinc.

El Niño subsequently entered into an option agreement with Votorantim Metals Canada Inc. and Xstrata Zinc Canada whereby Votorantim may earn a 50% interest in El Niño's landholdings by expending \$10 million over 5 years and may further increase its interest in El Niño's landholdings to 70% by expending an additional \$10 million over a further two years. (Please see release dated [May 4, 2010](#)).

**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](#)).

In January 2011, ELN announced that it has provided notice Votorantim Metals Canada Inc. (Votorantim) to enter into an Option Agreement on the Murray Brook Polymetallic Deposit, situated in the Bathurst Mining Camp in New Brunswick, Canada. (See press release dated [January 20, 2011](#)). Drilling has been initiated on this project.



**El Nino's management is aggressively seeking to acquire additional projects on an International scale that meet our corporate objectives. This includes base and precious metal properties within Africa and North America.**

El Nino has approximately \$2.5 million in cash with no debt.

On behalf of the shareholders and board of directors of El Nino Ventures, I would like thank you for your ongoing support.

“Harry Barr”

Harry Barr, Chairman & Acting CEO

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