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El Nino Ventures Inc. Joins OTCQX – "ELNOF"

Vancouver, B.C. – **September 16, 2011** – <u>OTC Markets Group Inc.</u> (OTCQX: OTCM), the financial information and technology services company that provides the world's largest electronic marketplace for broker-dealers to trade over-the-counter ("OTC") stocks, announced that <u>El Nino Ventures Inc.</u> (OTCQX: ELNOF; TSX.V: ELN), an international mineral exploration company, is now trading on the highest tier of the OTC market, OTCQX®.

El Nino Ventures began trading Thursday September 15, 2011 on the OTC market's prestigious tier, OTCQX International. Investors can find current financial disclosure and Real-Time Level 2 quotes for the Company on www.otcqx.com and www.otcqx.com

"The OTCQX platform offers investor-focused companies a winning combination of quality control, transparency, and broader visibility to U.S. investors," said R. Cromwell Coulson, President and Chief Executive Officer of OTC Markets Group. "We are pleased to welcome El Nino Ventures to OTCQX."

Berns & Berns, Counselors at Law will serve as El Nino Ventures' Principal American Liaison ("PAL") on OTCQX, responsible for providing guidance on OTCQX requirements and U.S. securities laws.

"We are pleased to be able to better serve the growing number of U.S. investors following El Nino Ventures with the enhanced U.S.-based trading platform offered by OTCQX and the advisory services offered by Moody Capital LLC," said ELN's Chairman & Acting CEO, Harry Barr. "The OTCQX has earned a strong reputation for providing U.S. investors with improved liquidity, transparency, superior information, and easy access through their U.S. regulated broker-dealers. We believe that listing on the OTCQX is in the best interest of the shareholders and will better enable the Company to raise additional capital to further develop its projects and provide additional market liquidity."

About OTCQX

The OTCQX marketplace is the premier tier of the U.S. Over-the-Counter market. Investor-focused companies use the quality controlled OTCQX listing platform to offer investors transparent trading, superior information, and easy access through their regulated U.S. broker-dealers. The innovative OTCQX platform offers companies and their shareholders a level of marketplace services formerly available only on a U.S. exchange. For more about OTCQX, visit www.otcqx.com

About El Nino Ventures Inc.

<u>El Nino Ventures Inc.</u> ("ELNOF" and the "Company") (OTCQX: ELNOF; TSX.V: ELN) trades in Canada on TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "ELN" and in the United States on OTCQX under the symbol "ELNOF". El Nino Ventures is an exploration company, focused on exploring for zinc (Zn), lead (Pb),

silver (Ag), and copper (Cu) in the Bathurst Mining Camp in New Brunswick, Canada. The Company and Xstrata Zinc entered into a Tri-partite Option agreement with Votorantim Metals Canada Inc. (Votorantim) whereby Votorantim, by incurring exploration expenditures of \$10 million over a period of 5 years can earn a 50% interest in the project. Votorantim may further elect to increase its interest to 70% by spending a further \$10 million over an additional two years.

In addition, the Company entered into a Participation Agreement with Votorantim on the Murray Brook Massive Sulphide/Polymetallic deposit, situated as well, within the Bathurst Mining Camp. (See press release dated January 20, 2011) The second phase of a \$5 Million, 10,000 metre drilling program is now underway with excellent assay results to date (see press release August 30, 2011)

In the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) the company is also planning an aggressive exploration program for 2012 at their Kasala Copper/Cobalt Project to develop what management feels is a potential world class copper discovery in the world's richest copper belt.

El Nino's management is aggressively seeking to acquire additional base and precious metals projects on an international scale that meet our corporate objectives and will add to its already extensive project portfolio.

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

Harry Barr, Chairman & Acting CEO

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