

UPDATE ON EXPLORATION PROJECTS IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

November 12, 2008, Vancouver, BC – El Niño Ventures Inc. (“El Niño” or the “Company”) (TSX.V: ELN; Frankfurt: E7Q) is pleased to give an update on its Democratic Republic of Congo (“DRC”) exploration projects.

Jean Luc Roy, President and CEO states, “I have just returned from a very productive trip to the DRC. It is therefore my privilege to report first hand to our shareholders and investors on our work program and timeline on the future news from our Kasala project and what to look forward to in the future.”



El Niño’s Sample Preparation Laboratory, Core Storage & Camp Office Facilities at Kasala Project

Our drilling on the Kasala project stopped over a month ago. All reverse circulation (“RC”) samples are now at the ALS Chemex laboratory in Johannesburg, South Africa. **Our discovery hole results were published in the October 6, 2008 press release as follows: (29 meters at 2.82% Cu and 0.34% Co) and we anticipate results from our other RC drilling to be published in the coming weeks as we have requested ALS Chemex perform priority analysis of these samples.**

All samples from our diamond drill program on the Kasala project have all been prepared using our preparation laboratory facility and 80 percent of the samples have now been received by ALS Chemex in South Africa. The final small expedition of samples is now on its way to ALS Chemex, South Africa. **The results from our diamond drill program should be available for publication in early December.**

At present the only work being finalised in the field is our Induced Polarisation (“IP”) Geophysics Survey to determine the extension of the Kasala project discovery. Results from this program are anticipated to be available at the end of December.

Review of Mining Contracts in the DRC

The review of mining contracts in the DRC is following its course and has created some uncertainties in the marketplace with regards to its possible outcome for some mining projects in the DRC. **I want to again point out that El Nino's land position in the DRC is not under review and has never been under review. Our land position was obtained under the New Mining Code of the DRC and we have no contracts whatsoever with any state owned company. Our affiliate companies have clear title to our research permits.**

Going Forward

The next month and a half will bring more results of our Kasala project and all the data will be compiled to plan our next drilling campaign in 2009. The 2008 campaign has been a true success and we look to build on that next year on the Kasala project and plan to start our work on two of our other very promising research permits.

I want to thank our investors for their patience in these difficult times but our team is confident that we now have a valuable project that will enable the Company to grow and operate efficiently in the DRC in the future.

About El Niño Ventures

El Niño Ventures is a junior exploration company, focused on exploring for Copper/Cobalt in the 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 has zinc properties in Ireland and holds a 50 percent interest on an extensive land package in the Bathurst Mining Camp with Xstrata Zinc Canada.

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