

Press Release



For Immediate Release

CEMI welcomes new Board members

Sudbury, ON – On, September 23rd, 2009, CEMI held its second Annual General Meeting (AGM) at which time its 2009 Annual Report was released. The significant progress made by the organization in advancing mineral exploration and mining-related research during the past year was highlighted, and CEMI's plans for the Ventilation on Demand project, supported by the Community Adjustment Fund (CAF) from Industry Canada through a \$4.25 recent grant, were also outlined.

In addition, CEMI announced that three new board members were elected to its Board of Directors. Mr. Warren Holmes, Chairman Nuinsco Resources; Ms. Suzanne Herbert, former Deputy Minister, Ministry of Northern Development and Mines for Ontario; and Dr. Nigel Smith, Director of the SNOLAB, have kindly agreed to take up these positions. With their input, the Board will expand its reach and develop a growth and sustainability plan for CEMI.

These new members join the current board composed of: Marc Boissonneault, Vice President of Sudbury Operations, Xstrata Nickel who was appointed the new Chair of the Board; Mr. Fred Delabbio, General Manager Innovation – Underground, Rio Tinto; Mr. Dominic Giroux, President, Laurentian University who replaced Mr. Robert Bourgeois (former Chair of the Board); Dr. Peter K. Kaiser, President and CEO, CEMI; Dr. Christine Kaszycki, Assistant Deputy Minister, Mines and Minerals Division, Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, and Forestry; Mr. Michael MacFarlane, Vice President, Mining and Milling, Vale Inco; and Mr. Stephen Lucas, Assistant Deputy Minister, Natural Resources Canada – Minerals and Metals Sector (External Observer to the Board).

Dr. Peter K. Kaiser, President/CEO of CEMI presented a report that highlighted CEMI's achievements with contributions from the collaborating companies and individuals, and illustrated how CEMI is achieving its mandate by working with experienced, networked solution teams. "Bringing us all together symbolizes an important step in developing ongoing partnerships between unique individuals and organizations for the benefit of Northern Ontario and the Canadian Mining industry".

To review CEMI's Annual Report, please visit our website at www.miningexcellence.ca.

CEMI leads a new mineral sector research initiative from Northern Ontario and was incorporated in 2007. Established in collaboration with regional, national and international Research & Development partners; CEMI is mandated to develop excellence in mining innovation.

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