

Class 1 Nickel Announces Filing of Technical Report on Alexo North Nickel Sulphide Deposit, Alexo-Dundonald Project, Timmins, Ontario

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TORONTO, July 09, 2024 - [Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Ltd.](#) (CSE: NICO | OTCQB: NICLF) ("Class 1 Nickel" or the "Company") reports that, further to the news release dated 22 May 2024, it has filed the National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") Technical Report in support of an updated Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") for its Alexo North Nickel Sulphide Deposit ("A-N Deposit") dated 5 July 2024 and with an effective date of 21 May 2024. The NI 43-101 report is available on SEDAR+ (www.sedarplus.ca) and on the Company's website (<https://class1nickel.com/alexo-dundonald-project/>).

The updated MRE for the Alexo North Nickel Sulphide Deposit was announced 22 May 2024 and updates to the remaining two nickel sulphide mineral resources contained within the Project, Dundonald South and North, will be completed over the coming months. The updated Mineral Resource Estimate for the Alexo South Nickel Sulphide Deposit was announced by Class 1 Nickel on 24 April 2024.

David Fitch, CEO of Class 1 Nickel, commented, "In light of the updated NI 43-101 findings for Alexo North, we're pleased to note a significant 63% increase in Indicated tonnes and an 8% rise in nickel pounds, now totalling 42,600 tonnes at 0.92% Ni. Notably, nearly all nickel pounds are now classified as Indicated, underscoring our commitment to data-driven exploration and development and building nickel resources. Our focus remains on further enhancing resource quality through ongoing drilling efforts across the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project, working toward economic studies in the near future."

Alexo North MRE Highlights:

- Indicated Resources (open pit and underground*) of 42,600 t at 0.92% Ni (864k lbs Ni) - 63% increase in Indicated tonnes and 8% increase in nickel pounds.
- Inferred Resources (open pit and underground*) of 500 t at 0.32% Ni (3k lbs Ni) - 100% increase in Inferred tonnes and 100% increase in nickel pounds.
- 99.6% of the nickel pounds and 99% of the tonnes in Alexo North Deposit Mineral Resource Estimate are in the Indicated category with drilling planned to update to Measured.
- With only 1% of the Alexo North Deposit tonnes in the Inferred category there is excellent exploration upside to expand and upgrade resources through additional drilling.
- Alexo North Deposit, one of the 4 deposits on the Alexo-Dundonald Property, is open along strike, with the new geological model and interpretation providing ample targets for next-stage drilling.
- Updated Mineral Resource Estimate work continuing on the remaining 2 deposits (Dundonald South and North) of the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project.

*C\$52.5/t NSR open pit and C\$96.0/t NSR underground cut-offs applied in current 2024 mineral resource estimate whereas C\$30.0/t NSR open pit and C\$90.0/t NSR underground cut-offs were applied in the 2020 mineral resource estimate of P&E Mining Consultants Inc.

Table 1. Mineral Resource Statement for the 2024 Alexo North Indicated and Inferred Resource Estimate.

| Alexo North Resource Category | Tonnage (t) | Grade | | | | | Contained Metal | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|----------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | Ni (%) | Cu (%) | Co (%) | NiEq (%) | NSR (C\$/t) | Ni (klbs) | Cu (klbs) | Co (klbs) |
| Open Pit (\$52.5/t NSR COG) | | | | | | | | | |
| Indicated | 35,100 | 0.98 | 0.11 | 0.04 | 1.08 | 205.87 | 759 | 83 | 83 |
| Inferred | 500 | 0.32 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.36 | 68.04 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Underground (C\$96.0/t NSR COG) | | | | | | | | | |

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|------------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|--------|-----|----|---|
| Indicated | 7,500 | 0.63 | 0.08 | 0.03 | 0.70 | 133.71 | 105 | 12 | 5 |
| Total Open Pit and Underground Resources | | | | | | | | | |
| Indicated | 7,500 | 0.63 | 0.08 | 0.03 | 0.70 | 133.71 | 105 | 12 | 5 |
| Inferred | 500 | 0.32 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.36 | 68.04 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

Notes to Table 1:

- 1) The independent Qualified Person for the MRE, as defined by NI 43-101, is Mr. Simon Mortimer (FAIG #4083) of Atticus Geoscience Consulting S.A.C., working with Caracle Creek Chile SpA. The effective date of the MRE is 21 May 2024.
- 2) Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.
- 3) The estimate of Mineral Resources may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political, marketing, or other relevant issues.
- 4) The Inferred Mineral Resource in this estimate has a lower level of confidence than that applied to an Indicated Mineral Resource and must not be converted to a Mineral Reserve. It is reasonably expected that the majority of the Inferred Mineral Resource could be upgraded to an Indicated Mineral Resource with continued exploration.
- 5) The Mineral Resources were estimated following the 2019 CIM Estimation of Mineral Resources & Mineral Reserves Best Practice Guidelines prepared by the CIM Mineral Resource & Mineral Reserve Committee and the 2014 CIM Definition Standards for Mineral Resources & Mineral Reserves prepared by the CIM Standing Committee on Reserve Definitions.
- 6) Geological and block models for the MRE used core assays (559 samples from 2021 drilling) and data and information from 181 surface diamond drill holes (29 from Class 1 Nickel and 152 historical). The drill hole database was validated prior to resource estimation and QA/QC checks were made using industry-standard control charts for blanks, core duplicates and commercial certified reference material inserted into assay batches by Class 1 Nickel.
- 7) The block model was prepared using Micromine 2020. A 6 m x 6 m x 6 m block model was created, with sub blocks to 0.5 m x 0.5 m x 0.5 m. Drill composites of 1.0 m intervals were generated within the estimation domains, and subsequent grade estimation was carried out for Ni, Cu and Co using Ordinary Kriging interpolation method.
- 8) Grade estimation was validated by comparison of input and output statistics (Nearest Neighbour and Inverse Interpolation methods), swath plot analysis, and by visual inspection of the assay data, block model, and grade shells in cross-sections.
- 9) As a reference, the average estimated density value (specific gravity) within the mineralised domain is 2.91 g/cm³ (t/m³).
- 10) Estimates have been rounded to 3 significant figures for Indicated resources and 2 significant figures for Inferred resources.
- 11) The historical open pit mined areas were removed from the MRE and the MRE considers a geological dilution of 5% and a mining recovery of 95%.
- 12) US\$ metal prices of \$8.00/lb Ni, \$3.25/lb Cu, \$13.00/lb Co were used in the NSR calculation with respective process recoveries of 85%, 70%, and 80%; gold, platinum and palladium are not considered in the current NSR calculation.
- 13) Pit constrained Mineral Resource NSR cut-off considers processing, and G&A costs, applying a factor of 5% for mining dilution, that respectively combine for a total of $((\$45.00 + \$5.00) * (1 + 5\%)) = \text{C\$}52.5/\text{tonne}$ processed.
- 14) Out-of-pit Mineral Resource (underground) NSR cut-off considers ore mining, processing, and G&A costs that respectively combine for a total of $(\$46.00 + \$45.00 + \$5.00) = \text{C\$}96.0/\text{tonne}$ processed.
- 15) The out-of-pit Mineral Resource grade blocks were quantified above the \$96.0/t cut-off, below the constraining pit shell and within the constraining mineralized wireframes. Additionally, only groups of blocks that exhibited continuity and reasonable potential stope geometry were included. All orphaned blocks and narrow strings of blocks were excluded. The long-hole stoping with backfill mining method was assumed for the out-of-pit (underground) MRE calculation.
- 16) The NSR calculation is as follows: $\text{NSR C\$/t} = ((\text{Ni}\% \times 199.89) + (\text{Cu}\% \times 66.87) + (\text{Co}\% \times 305.71)) \times 95\%$.
- 17) The NiEq% calculation is as follows: $\text{NiEq}\% = (\text{Ni}\% \times 1) + (\text{Cu}\% \times 0.33) + (\text{Co}\% \times 1.53)$.

Class 1 Nickel completed its Phase 1 diamond drilling program on the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project ("A-D Project") in 2021, with 6,454 metres in 33 holes (742 drill core samples) completed at Alexo North. The updated MRE combines the new drill hole data with historical drilling (3,942.20 metres in 29 holes) completed on the A-N Deposit by previous operators, including the most recent drilling by Canadian Arrow Mines (2,581.40 metres in 27 drill holes in 2004).

Figure 1. Location of the Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Sulphide Project in the Timmins Mining Camp, Ontario and the location of the 4 nickel sulphide deposits outlined to date.

The updated MRE was completed by Caracle Creek Chile SpA ("Caracle") and their strategic partner Atticus Geoscience Consulting Ltd. ("Atticus") (together the "Consultants") and this resource replaces the 2020 mineral resource estimate completed by P&E Mining Consultants Inc. (Stone et al., 2020) which is filed on SEDAR+. The current MRE has been completed in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 ("NI-43-101").

Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project

The Alexo-Dundonald Nickel Project ("A-D Project") is located about 45 km northeast of the City of Timmins, Ontario, covers an area of approximately 3,666 hectares (~37 km²), and was acquired by the Company in September 2018. The A-D Project includes four foundation nickel deposits (Alexo North and South and Dundonald North and South) of which the Alexo North and Alexo South (*aka* Kelex) were small-scale past producers of relatively high-grade nickel (*i.e.*, 1957; 2004-2005). The deposits are located on a near-continuous folded komatiite-ultramafic rock sequence that extends for at least 14 km within the Property and which has never been systematically explored. The four mineral resources are open at depth and along strike and could increase in size with additional drilling (see Company news release dated 18 April 2024).

Qualified Persons

The Qualified Person for the updated Alexo North Mineral Resource Estimate reported herein and as defined by NI 43-101, is Mr. Simon Mortimer (FAIG #4083), Principal Geoscientist at Atticus Geoscience Consulting, working with Caracle Creek Chile SpA. All other technical information and data in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Dr. Scott Jobin-Bevans (P.Geo., PGO #0183), Managing Director of Caracle Creek Chile SpA and geological consultant to Class 1 Nickel, and a Qualified Person under the definitions established by NI 43-101.

About Class 1 Nickel

[Class 1 Nickel and Technologies Limited](#) (CSE: NICO | OTCQB: NICLF) is a Mineral Resources Company focused on the exploration and development of its 100% owned komatiite-hosted nickel sulphide projects: the Alexo-Dundonald Project, near Timmins, Ontario (4 nickel sulphide deposits) and the Somanike Project, near Val-d'Or, Quebec (includes the historical Marbridge Ni-Cu Mine). Both projects comprise extensive property packages covering past-producing nickel sulphide mines, offering near-term production opportunity and excellent exploration upside.

Class 1 Nickel's current focus is to advance the A-D Project by adding high-grade nickel resources and then examining the possibility of putting the deposits into production, continuing to complete brownfield and greenfield exploration on its large property package to aggregate additional nickel resources outside of the current four deposits. The A-D Project sits on a 14+ km strike-length, folded komatiite unit containing several nickel-copper-cobalt and PGE mineral resources plus numerous underexplored sulphide occurrences. Decades of successful capital expenditure and investment into the Project has resulted in the discovery and delineation of four main nickel Mineral Resources that occur along the folded komatiite unit. The A-D Project was previously mined via a direct-shipping model, and the Company intends to soon commence a Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) study to determine the best path forward.

In addition, the Company also holds 100% interest in its River Valley PGE Project located about 65 km northeast of the City of Sudbury, the world's largest and longest operating nickel-copper-cobalt-PGE mining camp. See the Company's news release dated 13 December 2023 for additional information.

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