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# 150% increase in Measured and Indicated Resources at Ntaka Hill Nickel-Copper project, Tanzania

#### **Highlights**

- Measured and Indicated resources increased by over 150% to 12.79Mt @1.21% Ni for 154,700 tonnes of contained nickel (0.2% Ni cut-off);
- Inferred mineral resources increased to 45.04Mt @0.30% Ni (0.2% Ni cut-off);
- Sleeping Giant high-grade core zone now defined over 600m and remains open down plunge to the south; and
- NAD013 and Sleeping Giant zone now connected into one mineralised zone.

**Joint Venture Project Update:-** IMX Resources Limited (ASX:IXR; 'IMX') is pleased to report a 150% increase in Measured and Indicated mineral resources at the Ntaka Hill Ni-Cu deposits at the Nachingwea JV Project in southern Tanzania (Table 1).

IMX Managing Director Neil Meadows said, "This substantial increase in resources at the Nachingwea Nickel Project is great news for IMX shareholders. Through our 25% interest in the Joint Venture and 37% direct investment in Continental Nickel we have almost 53% beneficial ownership of the project which is beginning to advance towards development."

Table 1. Ntaka Hill Mineral Resources at 0.2% Ni cut-off

Category	Tonnes	% Ni	% Cu	% Co	<b>Contained Ni</b>
	(000's)				(tonnes)
Measured	1,662,000	1.71	0.29	0.05	28,400
Indicated	11,125,000	1.14	0.25	0.03	126,300
M+I	12,786,000	1.21	0.25	0.03	154,700
Inferred	45,037,000	0.3	0.07	0.01	135,000

The Ntaka Hill project is part of the larger Nachingwea Joint Venture (JV) in southern Tanzania and is a 25:75 JV between IMX Resources Limited ('IMX') and Continental Nickel Limited ('CNI') of Canada. IMX funds its joint venture interest on a pro rata basis. CNI are manager and operator of the project.

For detailed information on the NI 43-101 resource as highlighted above, please refer to the attached announcement from our joint venture partner Continental Nickel Limited, which was released to the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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#### **Competent Persons**

Information in this announcement relating to quality control, technical information of exploration results is based on data collected under the supervision of, or compiled by Patricia Tirschmann, P. Geo., who holds the position of Vice President, Exploration and is a full time employee of Continental Nickel Limited. Ms. Tirschmann is a registered member of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario and has sufficient relevant experience to qualify as a Competent Person under the 2004 Edition of the Australasian Code for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Ms. Tirschmann consents to the inclusion of the data in the form and context in which it appears.

Information relating to the mineral resource estimate was prepared by Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. of Toronto, Ontario under the supervision of Chester Moore, P. Eng., Principal Geologist. Mr. Moore is a registered member of the Professional Engineers of Ontario and an independent qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101. Mr Moore has sufficient relevant experience to qualify as a Competent Person under the 2004 Edition of the Australasian Code for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves and consents to the inclusion of the data in the form and context in which it appears.

#### **About IMX Resources Limited**

IMX Resources Limited (ASX: IXR) – is headquartered in Perth, Western Australia, is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX).

IMX is an active diversified mining company with an iron ore mining project in South Australia, and exploration projects in South Australia, Tasmania, as well as Tanzania and Mozambique in East Africa, focusing on iron-ore, nickel, copper and gold.

IMX owns 51% of the Cairn Hill mine, 55 kilometres south-east of Coober Pedy, South Australia close to the Darwin - Adelaide railway. Phase 1 is a unique magnetite Fe – Cu – Au DSO project. The ore produces a premium coarse grained magnetite product, with a clean saleable Cu / Au concentrate.

IMX has a Phase 1 life of mine sales offtake agreement with the Sichuan Taifeng Group. A Phase 2 resource has been announced and the joint venture project group is currently completing a study into its development.

In Tanzania, IMX holds 100% of the Mibango nickel / copper / platinum project. IMX is currently undertaking extensive field work to understand the potential of this area.

IMX spun off 70% of the Nachingwea Nickel - Copper project in Tanzania into Continental Nickel Limited (TSXV:CNI) in August 2007. IMX currently holds 37.0% of Continental Nickel and retains a 25% interest in the Nachingwea Nickel - Copper project through a joint venture company structure. IMX is currently participating in the JV funding requirements in order to maintain its 25% JV interest.

IMX owns 25.5% of Uranex (ASX:UNX), a spin-off from IMX, which is a dedicated uranium company with assets in Australia and Tanzania.

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#### **Press Release**

## Continental Nickel Reports 150% Increase in Estimated Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources at the Ntaka Hill Nickel Project

**TORONTO, ONTARIO (March 2, 2012)** - Continental Nickel Limited (TSX-V:CNI) ("CNI" or the "Company") is pleased announce that the estimated measured and indicated mineral resources at a cut-off grade of 0.2% nickel have increased by 150% from the last reported mineral resource estimate (April 2011) to 12,786,000 tonnes grading 1.21% nickel and the inferred mineral resources have increased to 45,037,000 tonnes grading 0.30% nickel at its Ntaka Hill Nickel Project (the "Project"). The Project is part of the larger 75:25 joint venture between CNI and IMX Resources Limited (ASX:IXR) covering the Nachingwea property in Southern Tanzania.

#### **Highlights**

- Contained nickel in measured and indicated mineral resources increased by over 150% to 154,700 tonnes at a grade of 1.21% nickel (0.2% nickel cut-off for all mineralized zones) from 60,900 tonnes at a grade of 1.22% nickel.
- Contained nickel in inferred mineral resources increased to 135,000 tonnes at a grade of 0.30% nickel (0.2% nickel cut-off for all mineralized zones) from 131,000 tonnes at a grade of 0.76%.
- Sleeping Giant and NAD013 zones are now considered to be a part of the same mineralized zone based on 2011 drilling results.
- Contained nickel in measured and indicated resources in the combined Sleeping Giant and NAD013 zone has increased to 102,400 from 6,000 tonnes (previously NAD013 only) with an additional 125,200 tonnes in an inferred mineral resource (0.2% nickel cut-off).
- The high-grade core of Sleeping Giant has been defined over a continuous strike length of 600 metres and remains open down plunge to the south.

Detailed results of the updated mineral resource estimate are presented in Table 1. Comparisons made above are with reference to the previous mineral resource estimate announced in April 2011 (Press Release, April 15, 2011).

Mr. David Massola, President and CEO, commented: "Continental is very excited about the large increase in estimated mineral resources at Ntaka Hill. This result increases our confidence in the Project and greatly reduces risk moving forward."

"Such a large increase in the mineral resources clearly confirms and surpasses the Upside Sensitivity Case presented in our 2011 Preliminary Economic Assessment (see Press Release November 15, 2011). Importantly, the new resource estimate is also expected to reduce stripping ratios and lead to reductions in cash operating costs compared to the Upside Sensitivity Case once optimized and incorporated into the development plan for the Project."

"This new resource estimate validates our strategy of advancing the project evaluation, permitting and development of Ntaka Hill while maintaining a strong commitment to exploration."

#### **Detailed Results**

This National Instrument 43-101 compliant mineral resource estimate was completed by Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. ("RPA") and incorporates the additional drilling completed on the Sleeping Giant zone since the April 2011 mineral resource estimate. The estimate is based on data obtained from 284 diamond drill holes totalling 50,716 metres completed to explore for and delineate the various zones at a nominal 25 to 100 metre drill section spacing. The drilling data included 12,981 metres (42 holes) of exploration diamond drilling completed in 2011.

Mineral resources were derived from a geostatistical block model using GEMS software and reported at various nickel cut—off grades constrained by preliminary pit shells constructed by Whittle software. Only mineralized intervals located within the pit shells are reported as mineral resources. Estimated mineral resources at 0.15%, 0.20% and 0.25% nickel cut-offs are provided in Table 1. A subdivision of the estimated mineral resources broken down by mineralized zone is included in Appendix 1 of this release.

Table 1 - Mineral Resources for Ntaka Hill Project at Various Cut-Off Grades

Category	Tonnes (000's)	% Ni	% Cu	% Co	Contained Ni (tonnes)			
Cut-Off: 0.15% Ni								
Measured	1,662,000	1.71	0.29	0.05	28,400			
Indicated	11,147,000	1.13	0.25	0.03	126,300			
M+I	12,809,000	1.21	0.25	0.03	154,700			
Inferred	58,846,000	0.27	0.06	0.01	159,400			
Cut-Off: 0.20% Ni								
Measured	1,662,000	1.71	0.29	0.05	28,400			
Indicated	11,125,000	1.14	0.25	0.03	126,300			
M+I	12,786,000	1.21	0.25	0.03	154,700			
Inferred	45,037,000	0.30	0.07	0.01	135,000			
Cut-Off: 0.25% Ni								
Measured	1,659,000	1.71	0.29	0.05	28,400			
Indicated	11,105,000	1.14	0.25	0.03	126,200			
M+I	12,764,000	1.21	0.25	0.03	154,600			
Inferred	28,481,000	0.34	0.08	0.01	97,700			

#### Notes to Mineral Resources in Table 1

- 1. Mineral resource estimates were prepared in accordance with the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum ("CIM") definition standards regarding mineral resources and mineral reserves.
- 2. Assays of drill core were completed at ALS Minerals of Vancouver, BC and included a comprehensive Quality Assurance / Quality Control ("QA/QC") program. All aspects of the core sampling, assay procedures and QA/QC program have been reviewed by RPA and were judged to be of industry standard and suitable for use in the estimation of mineral resources. RPA also completed a data verification exercise including independent core sampling and assaying with acceptable results.

- 3. Resource models were prepared based on drill section interpretation using nominal nickel grade wireframes of 0.1%, 0.5% and 1.0% nickel grade cut-offs. 3D solids were constructed cooperatively between CNI and RPA geologists, then reviewed and revised as necessary by RPA.
- 4. The estimation employed statistical analysis and variography of nickel values with construction of block models by zone. Block cell size was 2.5 x 5 x 5 metres for zones J, G, M, L and H. Block size for Sleeping Giant and NAD013 was 10 x 10 x 10 metres with level 3 sub-celling (8 x 8).
- 5. Grade interpolation to assign grade values to cells used Inverse Distance squared ("ID<sup>2</sup>") methods for zones J, G, M, L and H with Ordinary Kriging used for Sleeping Giant and NAD013.
- 6. More than 3,500 bulk density determinations on core using the immersion method were used for the estimate, with densities assigned where data were not available, based on an analysis of the correlation between specific gravity and sulphur.
- 7. Mineral resources are reported at cut-off values of 0.15%, 0.20% and 0.25% nickel and are based on open pit mining.
- 8. No minimum mining width was used.
- 9. Resource classification involved a review of geological and grade continuity and was based on drill hole spacing.
- 10. Preliminary pits used to constrain the mineral resources reported were constructed using Whittle software based on the metallurgical and cost assumptions from the PEA completed in November 2011 (Press Release, November 15, 2011).
- 11. Totals may differ due to rounding.
- 12. The Company is not aware of any environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political or marketing issues that are material to the statement of the mineral resource estimate.
- 13. The mineral resource estimate is effective as of March 2, 2012.
- 14. A copy of the mineral resource estimation report completed by RPA will be posted on SEDAR and the Company's web site within 45 days of this release.

#### **Qualified Persons / Quality Control**

The mineral resource estimate was prepared by Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. of Toronto, Ontario under the supervision of Chester Moore, P. Eng., Principal Geologist. Mr. Moore is an independent qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.

The quality control, technical information and all aspects of the exploration program were supervised by Patricia Tirschmann, P. Geo., Vice President, Exploration for CNI. The information in this release was prepared under the direction Ms. Tirschmann who is a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.

#### **About Continental Nickel Limited**

Continental is focused on the exploration, discovery and development of nickel sulphide deposits in geologically prospective, but under-explored regions globally. The Company's key asset is its 75% interest in its Nachingwea property in Tanzania. The project is a 75:25 exploration joint venture between the Company and IMX Resources Limited.

The Company also has an option to joint venture on the St. Stephen project in New Brunswick, Canada where the 2010 and 2011 diamond drill programs discovered new Ni-Cu sulphide zones.

As at the date of this release, the Company has 42,738,508 common shares issued and outstanding (50,244,414 on a fully-diluted basis) and trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol CNI.

On behalf of

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Appendix 1 – Mineral Resources by Mineralized Zone at 0.2% Ni Cut-Off

Category	Tonnes (000's)	% Ni	% Cu	% Co	Contained Ni (tonnes)			
J Zone								
Measured	845,000	1.67	0.25	0.06	14,100			
Indicated	108,000	0.42	0.09	0.02	500			
M+I	953,000	1.53	0.23	0.06	14,600			
G Zone								
Indicated	1,765,000	0.65	0.18	0.04	11,500			
Inferred	934,000	0.48	0.15	0.03	4,500			
M Zone								
Measured	279,000	1.95	0.42	0.04	5,400			
Indicated	126,000	1.67	0.35	0.04	2,100			
M+I	405,000	1.86	0.40	0.04	7,500			
L Zone								
Measured	150,000	2.45	0.45	0.05	3,700			
Indicated	50,000	3.07	0.60	0.05	1,500			
M+I	200,000	2.60	0.49	0.05	5,200			
NAD-013 Zone								
Indicated	116,000	6.24	1.59	0.09	7,300			
Inferred	1,088,000	0.52	0.12	0.02	5,600			
H Zone								
Measured	389,000	1.34	0.21	0.02	5,200			
Indicated	622,000	1.33	0.18	0.03	8,300			
M+I	1,011,000	1.33	0.19	0.03	13,500			
Inferred	539,000	0.98	0.14	0.02	5,300			
Sleeping Giant Zone								
Indicated	8,338,000	1.14	0.25	0.02	95,200			
Inferred	42,476,000	0.28	0.07	0.01	119,600			