

SUDBURY
INTEGRATED NICKEL
OPERATIONS
A GLENCORE COMPANY

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Dr. Harold Gibson
Laurentian University
Sudbury, Ontario

Dear Dr. Gibson,

Sudbury Integrated Nickel Operations a Glencore Company is pleased to endorse the submission of the Letter of Intent for the Canada First Research Excellence Fund application for Metal Earth. As a company member of The Mineral Exploration Research Centre we participate in regular meetings to advise and support the Centre to maintain and build a strong connection with the mineral industry. We are committed to supporting the development of a high level of scientific capacity to study and understand Precambrian ore systems, to develop innovative ideas and technology and provide education and training of the next generations and ongoing professional development.

The Metal Earth Proposal will allow us be part of this multi-faceted group of researchers as they try to understand the distribution and endowment of metals in the Precambrian Shield that underlies much of northern Canada. As we sit on a significant area of mineral endowment within the Sudbury Basin it will be interesting to see why this is so and how it can help to lead us to other areas and new deposits. For any large scale research project such as Metal Earth we anticipate significant results direct and indirect that may assist Glencore in discovering additional resources within Canada and potentially worldwide.

As an Industry member we look forward to being an active partner and supporter of the research objectives of Metal Earth.

Sincerely,



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