# **POSEIDONNICKEL**

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Dear Sir

### Re: MAJOR NEW NICKEL DISCOVERIES AT WINDARRA

We enclose herewith a copy of an announcement in relation to the above.

Yours faithfully

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## **Major New Nickel Discoveries at Windarra**

# **Highlights**

- Poseidon has discovered large new zones of nickel at its Windarra Project
- The nickel mineralisation has been discovered close to existing mining infrastructure which can increase project production with minimal extra capital cost
- These discoveries are a bonus to the existing positive project economics
- The discoveries could increase planned ore production in the first two operational years from:
  - Substantially thicker and higher grade mineable resource in C Shoot
  - A new potentially mineable resource adjacent to F Shoot and very close to existing underground infrastructure
- Poseidon will now:
  - Update mineral resource and mine plan reports
  - Drill additional untested areas to find similar bonus resources, adjacent to the decline
- WA State Government has extended Poseidon's current licences for an additional 12 months

Poseidon Nickel Limited (ASX:POS) ("Poseidon" or the "Company") announces that the Company has received outstanding results from the current drilling programme at Mt Windarra which commenced in November 2012.

These latest drill intercepts are likely to lead to further high grade nickel zones being added to the current Mt Windarra resource which would give the Project significantly more production during the first two operational years at least. Further drilling is underway to determine the extent of the vertical depth of the new zones.

The results, from the expanded C Shoot and newly discovered area, which is adjacent to F Shoot, give additional high grade mineralised zones to the Mt Windarra ore body. <u>These zones could as much as double the size of the estimated mineable ore body in the areas drilled and add very significant tonnages to the overall resources at Mt. Windarra.</u>

Poseidon Nickel Managing Director, Mr David Singleton, said that the results showed that the Mt. Windarra mine still has significant upside with deposits of nickel near to existing infrastructure which can be cheaply revealed with modern technology. Such discoveries will provide a stream of bonuses to the already robust economics of the Project.

"Our discovery cost, prior to this campaign, has been circa 10 cents for every pound of nickel in resources and these drilling results should continue that cost trend.

"I'm particularly pleased with the uncovering of the new, apparently mineable mineralised zone, adjacent to F Shoot. It demonstrates that the detailed insights that our geologists have

acquired over the last five years of painstaking work is creating breakthroughs in nickel discovery" said Mr Singleton.

"With these additional high grade zones, we will now move to upgrade both the mineral resources and ore reserves at Mt Windarra, and incorporate these upgrades into our finance model," said Mr Singleton.

Current Total Mineral Resources at Mt Windarra stand at 3.95M tonnes at 1.73%, for 68,300 tonnes of contained nickel (Current Resources and Reserves at Mt Windarra are detailed further in Appendix 2). Upgrades incorporating these extensions into both the Resource and Reserve calculations are expected to be released in the short term.

Significant drilling results at C Shoot include:

- 10.44m @ 2.22% nickel from 413.31m, within 15.75m @ 1.67% nickel
- 5.58m @ 2.76% nickel from 465.42m, within 10.86m @ 2.05% nickel
- 9.0m @ 2.88% nickel from 393.0m, within 16.7m @ 2.24% nickel
- 10.0m @ 2.66% nickel from 393m.0m, within 19.25m @ 1.84% nickel

At the newly discovered nickel zone, which is adjacent to F Shoot, drilling has been designed to deliver resources of sufficient JORC confidence category to allow immediate conversion to mining reserves. The mineralised zone is approximately 3m in width and currently extends over 350m high by 130m along strike and remains open at depth.

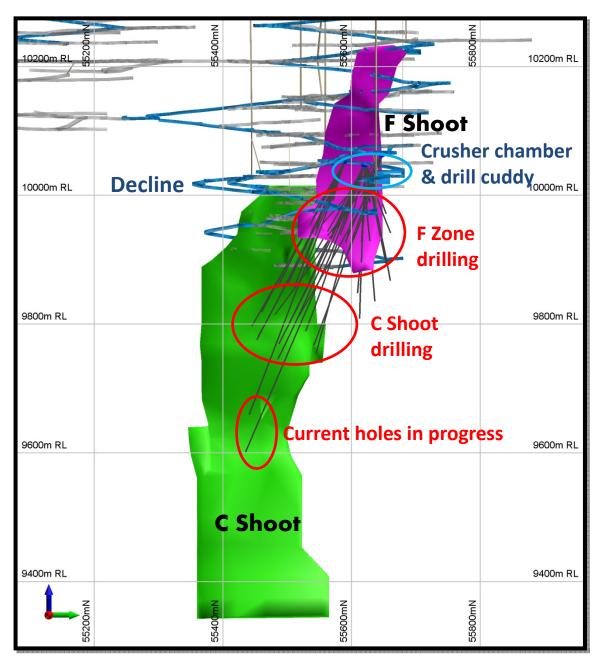
Previously, the C Shoot zone was interpreted as being around 4–5m in thickness, however this recent drilling has demonstrated that C Shoot is 8-9m in thickness on average with a lower grade halo that can expand out to 12-15m thickness in places. This is expected to have positive implications for an increase in resources at Mt Windarra, alongside increases in the JORC confidence category of the resource.

### **WA State Government Project approvals**

Poseidon is also pleased to announce that it has received advice from the WA State Premier, The Hon. Colin Barnett, that permission has been given for an extension to the Project approvals to 30 June 2014 subject only to similar conditions previously announced. In the Company's opinion, this gives more than ample time for the finalisation of finance for the Project.

The Windarra Nickel Project, located 260 kilometres north east of Kalgoorlie in Western Australia, is destined to be Australia's newest nickel producer and will be ready to meet expected supply shortfalls in 2014/2015. Poseidon has completed a Definitive Feasibility into the Project, the key highlights of which were recently published. Underground Resources at the Mt Windarra ore body form approximately half of the resource base at the Windarra Nickel Project, alongside the Cerberus ore body.

Poseidon Nickel has engaged Credit Suisse to assist in developing the various alternatives towards financing the Project. Credit Suisse is a major international investment bank which recently led a successful major debt financing for The Fortescue Metals Group (FMG). These enhancements to the Mt Windarra ore body will be included in financing package documentation being prepared.



C Shoot and F Zone Geological Setting

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# Appendix 1 – Windarra Drilling Results

Hole_ID	Dip/Azi	From (m)	То	Interval	True	Ni%	Comment
			(m)	(m)	Width (m)		
WUG0012	-32/245	463.74	474.60	10.86	9.37	2.05	C Shoot
	including	465.42	471.00	5.58	4.81	2.76	
WUG0013	-45/248	472.00	475.72	3.72	3.10	2.02	C Shoot; Eastern Zone
		480.21	483.21	3.00	2.50	1.77	C Shoot; Western Zone
	including	482.17	483.21	1.04	0.87	3.47	
WUG0020	-36/246	144.24	147.24	3.00	2.32	1.79	Orthus Zone
WUG0020A	-42/244	408.00	423.75	15.75	12.00	1.67	C Shoot
	including	413.31	423.75	10.44	7.48	2.22	
WUG0021	-46/270	163.38	171.30	7.92	5.70	1.91	Orthus Zone
	including	165.52	170.81	5.29	3.81	2.52	
WUG0023	-55/271	185.69	189.06	3.37	2.05	1.21	Orthus Hanging-wall
WUG0024	-40/271	149.00	160.54	11.54	8.84	1.31	Orthus Zone
	including	149.00	155.00	6.00	4.60	2.00	
		171.14	175	3.86	2.96	0.91	Orthus Zone
WUG0025	-21/282	146.00	150.00	4.00	3.73	2.02	Orthus Foot-wall
		154.00	157.00	3.00	2.80	1.57	Orthus Zone
		210.08	213.00	2.92	2.73	2.18	G Shoot
WUG0028	-37/246	157.14	158.81	1.67	1.33	1.38	Orthus Hanging-wall
WUG0029	-38/282	233.67	240.10	6.43	5.03	1.12	G Shoot
WUG0030	-45/285	248.81	254.20	5.39	3.80	2.01	G Shoot
WUG0031	-38/245	147.15	151.74	4.59	3.62	1.38	Orthus Hanging-wall
WUG0033	-38/245	293.00	296.00	3.00	2.36	1.30	D Shoot
		316.07	319.76	3.69	2.91	1.35	D Shoot
		388.00	405.78	16.70	13.16	2.24	C Shoot
	including	393.00	402.00	9.00	7.09	2.88	
WUG0034	-37/240	147.00	151.87	4.87	3.89	1.32	Orthus Hanging-wall
		387.75	407.00	19.25	15.53	1.84	C Shoot
	including	396.00	406.00	10.00	8.05	2.66	
WUG0035A	-42/245	319.00	323.00	4.00	2.97	1.25	D Shoot
		410.92	421.4	10.48	7.90	1.90	C Shoot
	including	414.00	418.00	4.00	2.99	2.55	
WUG0038	-46/244	321.00	324.50	3.50	2.43	1.50	D Shoot
		424.00	432.96	8.96	6.22	1.98	C Shoot
	including	429.00	432.50	3.50	2.43	3.00	

## Appendix 2 - Windarra Resources and Reserves

### Nickel Sulphide Resource Statement as at December 31, 2012

Windarra	Cut Off Grade	Resource Category – Nickel Sulphides									
Nickel Sulphide Project		Indicated			Inferred			TOTAL			
		Tonnes	Ni% Grade	Ni Metal	Tonnes	Ni% Grade	Ni Metal	Tonnes	Ni% Grade	Ni Metal t	
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Mt. Windarra	0.75%	974,000	1.25	12,400	2,977,000	1.88	55,900	3,951,000	1.73	68,300	
South Windarra	0.80%	772,000	0.98	7,500	-	-	-	772,000	0.98	7,500	
Cerberus	0.75%	2,773,000	1.25	34,600	1,778,000	1.91	34,000	4,551,000	1.51	68,600	
Total Sulphide		4,519,000	1.21	54,500	4,755,000	1.89	89,900	9,274,000	1.56	144,400	

Table 3: Nickel Sulphide Ore Reserve Statement as at December 31, 2012

Windarra	Ore Reserve Category – Nickel Sulphides  Probable						
Nickel Sulphide							
Project	Tonnes	Ni% Grade	Ni Metal t				
Cerberus	1,221,000	1.30	15,880				
Mt. Windarra	326,000	1.22	4,000				
Total Sulphides	1,547,000	1.29	19,880				

Note: The information in this announcement that relates to Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Mr N Hutchison, General Manager of Geology at Poseidon Nickel, who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Geoscientists and Mr I Glacken who is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy as well as a full time employee of Optiro Pty Ltd.

The information in this announcement that relates to Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Denis Grubic, who is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy as well as a full time employee of Rock Team Pty Ltd.

Mr Hutchison, Mr Glacken and Mr Grubic all have sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity which they are undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves.' Mr Hutchison, Mr Glacken and Mr Grubic have consented to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

The Australian Securities Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the accuracy or adequacy of this release.

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