

TARTISAN NICKEL: KENBRIDGE NICKEL CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

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Tartisan Nickel (CSE:TN) (OTCQB:TTSRF) (FRA:8TA) is a Canadian mining exploration and development company focused on battery metals headquartered in Toronto, ON. Tartisan's flagship resource is their wholly-owned Kenbridge Nickel Project in the Kenora Mining District in Ontario. The company's portfolio includes two polymetallic resources in Ontario, the Sill Lake Lead Silver Project and Turtle Pond Nickel Copper Project. Tartisan Nickel is poised to ultimately deliver the nickel necessary for the global transition to clean energy currently underway. President and CEO Mark Appleby describes how the company saw the opportunity in 2018 to shift their focus when they acquired their primary Kenbridge asset through Canadian Arrow Mines: *"At the time, we were called Tartisan Resources, but we saw the emergence of the electric vehicle revolution and rebranded as Tartisan Nickel."* (Northern Miner). Since taking that opportunity, Tartisan Nickel has directed its focus towards battery metals and continues to advance work on their Kenbridge Nickel Project.

Tartisan's flagship Kenbridge Project has a completed preliminary economic assessment and is now working to further define the mineral resource by bringing some of the inferred ore deposits into the indicated category. Additionally, Tartisan is benefitting from historic work such as a 622 metre shaft sunk by Falconbridge in 1954, which remains in good condition, and access roads, which are being refurbished and made usable for all season access to



the site. Dean MacEachern, Tartisan's geological advisor for the Kenbridge project, was a part of both Falconbridge and Canadian Arrow Mines when they each held the asset, respectively, before the massive adoption of large batteries and electric vehicles began driving significantly increased demand for nickel. He describes the asset and

in 2021. The results of the drilling are a measured and indicated resource of 117 million pounds of nickel (Ni), 66 million pounds of copper (Cu), and a million pounds of cobalt (Co).

Next steps for the project necessitate upgrading roads to the site, and Tartisan has retained Northwest Solutions Inc.



the major advantage it presents: *"At the top, it's more disseminated and as you go deeper into the zone, it gets more semi-massive and massive. It gets narrower but the grade gets better."* (Northern Miner).

This variable grading in the deposit will allow Tartisan to accommodate price variations of nickel more readily, and with the pre-existing shaft, Mr. MacEachern says that the expected capital expenditure will be substantially lower than other similar projects. *"It's under \$140 million to get started. That compares with a lot of large low-grade deposits that will take \$2 billion to get going."* (Northern Miner). The asset has undergone extensive drilling and surveying since 1937 with nearly 100,000 meters of surface and underground drilling having been conducted, including 10,000 meters done by Tartisan

to build the all-season access road to the Kenbridge project. Northwest Solutions is an Ontario-based services company offering forestry, mining, and environmental services, as well as training, project management support, and communications consulting services (Newsfile). A family owned-and-operated business in since 2014, Northwest Solutions will design the access road and provide support to Tartisan with the permitting and project management. Co-owners Brandi, who will be the road project's finance and communications manager, and Kevin Shorthouse, who will be the road project's road design and road permitting project manager, bring unique expertise to the endeavour as well as their connection to the local area, which Tartisan CEO, Mark Appleby, believes will provide tremendous value to the project team.



With the Kenbridge Road project, as well as the larger project as a whole, community and First Nations support are key to Tartisan Nickel. CEO Mark Appleby, first addressed how much he and the company value the relationships that they have built in the area. In support of these relationships, Tartisan named Greg Edwards, who has been serving

as the overall project manager for Kenbridge, as the company's First Nations liaison. Mr. Edwards has been consistent is his desire to work with and foster good relationships with the three First Nations near the project: Nautkamegwanning First Nation, formerly known as the Whitefish Bay First Nation, Northwest Angle #33 First Nation, and Northwest Angle #37

First Nation. Since 2007, the company has been engaged with Treaty #3 and recognized the First Nations' rights to lands, seeking the consent, agreement, and engagement of those nations to conduct work there.

Tartisan's approach has developed strong support from the three nearby First Nations according to Mr. Edwards, and in October, 2021, the Kenbridge project even received a blessing in a ceremony conducted by an elder from one of the First Nations. Working with First Nations and engaging local companies on their projects, Tartisan Nickel intends to continue advancing their goals in Ontario. Looking at 2024, Mr. Appleby says it *"promises to be a milestone year as multiple on-going initiatives come together. Alignment with Indigenous communities, summation of baseline studies, project permitting endeavours, and all-season road access combined with continued efforts to expand the Kenbridge mine life are in focus and should prove to have a profound impact on shareholder value."*



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The Kenbridge Nickel Project heading towards a feasibility study.



Tartisan commences baseline studies and advances permitting for its flagship Kenbridge Nickel Project.



Upgrade of all-season access road for its flagship Kenbridge Nickel project in Ontario.

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