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2018 FIELD EXPLORATION PROGRAM AT BUCK LAKE PLATINUM, PALLADIUM, NICKEL PROSPECT

Empire Metals Corp. ("Empire")(TSX.V-EP) is pleased to announce the completion of the field portion of its 2018 exploration program at its Buck Lake Platinum, Palladium, Nickel Project.

The Buck Lake Project is known for the occurrence of high-grade platinum-palladium and nickel mineralization at the Main Discovery Area where chip samples taken from fresh pyroxenite breccias rich in sulphides exposed by pit blasting yielded up to 31.6 grams per tonne of palladium, 2.82 grams per tonne of platinum, 1.53% copper and 9.96% nickel. The sulphide-rich mineralized zone at the Main Discovery Area is hosted by gabbro/pyroxenite breccia.

Previous exploration at Buck Lake included outcrop mapping, soil and rock geochemistry, significant trenching and channel sampling at the Main Discovery Area, and orientation drilling. 2018 field exploration targeted establishing future diamond drill targets through geological mapping, prospecting of new zones and sampling and mapping of new outcrops exposed by logging operations. Exploration in 2018 also included the recently completed additional high-resolution airborne horizontal gradient and matrix VLF-EM survey on new property areas recently added to the Buck Lake Project as announced October 15, 2018. Airborne geophysical data will be analyzed to aid in the selection of further mechanical trenching and drill targets for exploration, as well as further exploration on unexplored areas of the property.

Empire considers the Buck Lake Project to be highly prospective. Empire has completed the acquisition of 100% of the Buck Lake Platinum, Palladium, Nickel Project. Two respected Thunder Bay prospectors, Bill Richmond and Bill Morehouse, hold a 2.5% Net Smelter Royalty, 50% of which can be acquired for \$500,000.

The technical content of this news release has been reviewed and approved by Dr. Bohumil (Boris) Molak, PhD, P.Geo (BC), a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101.

Empire has interests in the Fox Creek Lithium Project in Alberta, the Graphite West hydrothermal graphite Project located immediately west of Zenyatta Ventures Ltd.'s Albany hydrothermal graphite deposit, and the Gwyn Lake gold property also in Ontario.

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