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Glencore partners with NORCAT for Technology and Innovation Program

Sudbury, ON. NORCAT, a global leader in the development and provision of skilled labour training and innovation services, and Glencore's Sudbury Integrated Nickel Operations, a leader in mining, are excited to announce the launch of a technology and innovation program that will facilitate and enhance Glencore's capabilities to bring new, state-of-the-art technologies into their mining operations and accelerate the rate of technology adoption in the mining industry.

NORCAT is the only innovation centre in the world that owns and operates an underground mine designed to enable start-ups, small / medium enterprises, and international companies to develop, test, and demonstrate innovative technologies in an operating mine environment. With this unique facility, NORCAT has become the global destination for mining companies to "see and touch" emerging technologies that are poised to transform the industry.

"We are excited to partner with NORCAT to implement this technology and innovation program," says Kevin McAuley, Director Sustainability, Technical Services and Innovation at Glencore's Sudbury Integrated Nickel Operations. "This partnership not only provides us a unique opportunity to access a wide range of emerging technologies that will help us deliver on our broader business strategy, but also it continues to support the vibrant mining technology ecosystem at the NORCAT Underground Centre."

"We are working hard to continue our role as the global 'one-stop shop' for all that is the future of mining. NORCAT's portfolio of mining technology companies using our state-of-the-art operating mine as an 'active laboratory' has created an ecosystem like no other in the world," says Don Duval, NORCAT CEO. "We are excited to partner with Glencore and continue to build and support Canada's global reputation as a market leader in the mining industry."

NORCAT will continue to identify and engage with mining technology companies from around the world to support the implementation and demonstration of their products at the Underground Centre. By doing so, NORCAT helps to connect and broker relationships between mining technology companies (the "builders" of innovation") and global mining companies (the "buyers" of innovation) creating a vibrant tech ecosystem unique on the global stage.

For more information about NORCAT and the Underground Centre, please visit www.norcat.org or contact Lindsay Lane | NORCAT | llane@norcat.org | 705.521.8324 x337

ABOUT NORCAT

NORCAT is a leader in skilled labour training and innovation services focused on developing and delivering programs, services, and resources that enhance productivity and safety in the global skilled labour industries.

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