



**NEWS RELEASE**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: JUNE 3, 2009**

<b>Symbol:</b>	<b>NOT:TSX-V</b>
<b>Shares Outstanding:</b>	<b>154,578,457</b>
<b>Fully Diluted:</b>	<b>161,033,457</b>

## **NORONT RESOURCES APPOINTS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**TORONTO, ONTARIO June 3, 2009. Noront Resources Ltd. ("Noront" or the "Company") (TSX Venture: NOT)** is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Wesley (Wes) C. Hanson, P.Geo, as President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of the Company, effective June 22, 2009. At that time, both Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Parisotto who have been jointly acting as Interim co-Chief Executive Officers since October, 2008 will step down and remain as Directors of the Company.

Mr. Hanson was formerly Vice President Mine Development for Western Goldfields, before the recent announcement of its business combination with New Gold Inc. and he previously held the position of Vice President, Technical Services for Kinross Gold Corporation. Mr. Hansen has held several senior positions in the mining industry throughout his 25 year career, where he has been directly involved in the engineering construction and commissioning of numerous mining projects in Canada, the US, Brazil, Chile and Russia. Mr. Hanson has a Bachelor of Science, Geology from Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada.

Joseph Hamilton and Paul Parisotto, Interim Co-Chief Executive Officers stated, "We would like to welcome Wes to the Noront team and we are very confident in his leadership and proven track record as a team builder to guide Noront into the next phase of the Company's expansion. Wes brings invaluable knowledge and experience in the development of mines from feasibility to commissioning and has a wealth of experience in working with local communities and governments in remote locations. This expertise will be a key contribution to the success of Noront's future development. We also look forward to Wes' input as a new Director to the Noront Board of Directors, rounding out our existing complement of Board Members to seven."

### **About Noront Resources**

Noront Resources is focused on its significant and multiple, high-grade nickel-copper-platinum-palladium, chromite and vanadium discoveries in an area known as the "Ring of Fire", an emerging multi-metals district located in the James Bay Lowlands of Ontario, Canada. Noront is the dominant land holder at the Ring of Fire and continues to delineate and prove up its discoveries with NI 43-101 technical and economic reports and an aggressive drill plan for 2009.

For further information please contact the Investor Relations Department at (416) 238 7226, investor.relations@norontresources.com or visit Noront's website at: <http://www.norontresources.com>.



ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:  
**"Paul A. Parisotto and Joe Hamilton"**  
Interim Co-Chief Executive Officers



## **FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

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