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**Nevada Copper Step Out Drilling Expands the Open Pittable North Deposit:
Intersecting 190 Feet of 0.76% Copper and 132.5 Feet of 0.75% Copper**

May 6, 2010 - Nevada Copper Corp. (TSX: NCU) ("Nevada Copper") is pleased to announce further drill results at the 100% owned Pumpkin Hollow Property located in Nevada. The drill results continue to demonstrate continuity of mineralization and upgrading of the copper resource. Drill results reported here represent results from Nevada Copper’s current drill program which has recently been increased to 36,000 meters of resource drilling. To date, results from 37 of 63 holes that will be drilled in the program have been reported with further drill results pending. Currently, three drill rigs are operating at the Pumpkin Hollow Property as part of this expanded drilling program.

NC10-29 was drilled as a step out hole to follow up open mineralization in the northeastern portion of the open pitable North Deposit. NC10-29 was collared 43 meters (140 ft) northeast of NC07-03 where several mineralized zones were intersected, 46.9 meters (154 ft) averaging 0.50% copper, 29.5 meters (97 ft) averaging 0.65% copper and 27.7 meters (91ft) averaging 0.42% copper. Drill hole **NC10-29 also intersected several mineralized zones and copper grades were significantly higher. The zones are 57.9 meters (190 ft) averaging 0.76% copper and 40.4 meters (132.5 ft) averaging 0.75% copper.** The mineralization remains open to the northeast.

Mr. Gregory French, Senior Project Manager of Nevada Copper commented, “It is very encouraging that the recent step out drilling in the North Deposit intersected mineralization that is higher grade and thicker than the adjacent holes. Expanding the open mineralization in this area of the deposit will have a positive impact on future pit designs. Follow up drilling is planned.”

NC10-20, 21, and 23 were drilled to convert resource classifications and confirm continuity of mineralization. NC10-25 was drilled along the southern edge of the North Deposit and has defined the boundary of mineralization in that area.

A plan map with the respective drill locations in the North Deposit is available at www.nevadacopper.com.

NORTH DEPOSIT – Assays greater than 0.3% Cu

Drill Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Length (ft)	True Length (m)	Copper (%)	Gold (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Mo (%)
NC10-20	41.1	59.4	18.3	60	14.0	0.48	0.002	0.1	0.001
	239.3	249.5	10.2	33.5	7.8	1.00	0.024	2.4	0.017
	356.9	365.9	9.0	29.5	6.9	0.38	0.009	1.4	0.002
	493.9	532.5	38.6	126.5	29.6	1.01	0.084	3.4	0.004
	554.3	569.8	15.5	51	11.9	0.51	0.027	2.0	0.003
NC10-21	296.3	314.4	18.1	59.5	13.9	2.59	0.270	7.0	0.014
	327.4	355.4	28.0	92	21.4	0.83	0.092	3.8	0.004
	369.0	373.4	4.4	14.5	3.1	0.39	0.072	3.0	0.004
	448.0	477.0	29.0	95	22.2	0.42	0.016	1.7	0.006
	489.2	498.3	9.1	30	7.0	0.86	0.080	3.8	0.010
NC10-23	512.0	518.1	6.1	20	4.7	0.47	0.084	2.3	0.003
	64.0	68.6	4.6	15	3.5	0.59	0.016	1.8	0.003

	132.6	137.2	4.6	15	3.5	0.52	0.027	2.2	0.014
	288.0	302.2	14.2	46.5	10.9	1.37	0.093	6.7	0.007
	317.5	325.7	8.2	27	6.3	0.40	0.039	2.3	0.010
NC10-25	198.1	213.6	15.5	51.0	15.5	0.63	0.048	1.5	0.004
NC10-29	80.8	83.8	3.0	10	2.3	0.43	0.005	0.4	0.017
	99.1	157.0	57.9	190	44.4	0.76	0.017	1.4	0.007
	171.9	174.6	2.7	9	2.1	2.27	0.095	7.1	0.002
	195.1	235.5	40.4	132.5	30.9	0.75	0.090	3.6	0.010

Other Developments

Nevada Copper is very pleased to announce that Jeffrey Duvall has joined the company in the capacity of Project Engineer assuming direct responsibility for the Pre-Feasibility Study. Jeffrey Duvall has a wide breadth of mining experience having worked with Snowden Mining Industry Consultants, Inc. (“Snowden”) and Pincock Allen & Holt for several years in addition to senior engineering roles with Centerra Gold Inc, Cleveland Cliffs, Inc. and Homestake Mining Company over the last 18 years. Jeffrey Duvall is a graduate of the Colorado School of Mines in Mining Engineering and also holds a M.Sc. and MBA.

The Pre-Feasibility Study is under the direction of Snowden which has extensive experience in project management, geology, open pit and underground mine optimization, metallurgy and financial analysis. They have assembled a team of leading mining industry consultants with extensive industry experience to assist Nevada Copper with developing the Pre-Feasibility Study. They include Scare-Davey with specialties in processing and infrastructure and Knight Piesold specializing in environmental, tailings, permitting, geotechnical, and socio-economics.

Mr. Giulio Bonifacio, President and CEO of Nevada Copper commented, “We are extremely pleased with the contributions of our technical team and consultants toward the rapid development of the Pumpkin Hollow Project. The addition of Jeffrey Duvall will further strengthen our team as we progress through both Pre-Feasibility and Definitive Feasibility.”

Nevada Copper also announces that Joe Kircher, COO, Vice President is no longer with the company.

About Nevada Copper

Nevada Copper will have 53.1 million shares outstanding and is well funded with Cdn\$28 million in cash.

Nevada Copper is an emerging copper company, responsibly developing its advanced stage Pumpkin Hollow copper-gold-silver-iron property into Nevada's next copper mine. Concurrent with a resource delineation drilling program, metallurgical, geotechnical, hydrological, and environmental baseline data are being collected and processed for inclusion in a Pre-Feasibility Study currently in progress and scheduled for completion by the third quarter.

To date over 530 drill holes containing in excess of 223,000 meters of drilling have been incorporated into the resource database.

In December 2009, Nevada Copper updated its National Instrument 43-101 Preliminary Economic Assessment (“PEA”) for its 100% owned Pumpkin Hollow IOGC Property in Nevada which incorporated a High Grade Case. This is an update to the PEA results published on March 17, 2008 both of which are available on Nevada Copper’s website.

The Pumpkin Hollow drilling program is under the supervision of Gregory French, CPG #10708, and a Qualified Person as defined in Canadian National Instrument 43-101, who is responsible for the preparation of the technical information in this news release. All assaying and whole rock geochemistry is processed at the American Assay Laboratories (AAL) in Reno, Nevada. Samples are delivered from the project core logging facility to AAL by Nevada Copper or AAL personnel. A Quality Assurance and Quality Control Assay Protocol have been

implemented whereby blanks and standards are inserted into the assay stream and check samples are sent to Chemex-Reno and Inspectorate-Reno laboratories.

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