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## **SUCCESSFUL ASX LISTING OF THOMSON RESOURCES**

The Board of PlatSearch NL is pleased to advise that Thomson Resources Ltd (ASX Code: TMZ) has been admitted to the Official List of the ASX and trading in its shares is scheduled to commence at 12:00pm AEST on Friday 17 December 2010.

The IPO offer closed on 8 December, having raised \$4.6 million. PlatSearch acknowledges the good response from its shareholders to the Priority Offer and the support from the wider community of investors and brokers who assisted with the fund raising.

PlatSearch and its wholly owned subsidiary, Bluestone 23 Limited, holds 18,000,000 ordinary Thomson shares representing a total of approximately 25.6% in the Company. In addition, PlatSearch holds 5,000,000 Thomson options (exercise price 30 cents and expiry date of 11 December 2014).

Thomson has advised that it will implement an aggressive exploration work programme to test the numerous, high quality targets defined within its tenements as foreshadowed in its Prospectus. Drilling is anticipated to start early in 2011 once unseasonal heavy rain in the normally dry region abates and flood waters recede.

Further details of the IPO and ASX listing are provided within the attached announcement from Thomson Resources.

Yours faithfully

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## **Thomson Resources successfully completes \$4.6 million Initial Public Offering with strong local and international support**

- Thomson completes \$4.6 million raising through an IPO of 22,864,500 shares
- Thomson securities (ASX: TMZ), to debut on the ASX at 12pm AEST, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December
- Strong support received from founding shareholders in Minotaur Exploration Limited and Platsearch NL
- Thomson is fully funded to commence drilling in early 2011 on priority walk-up targets in the Thomson Fold Belt, NSW
- Recently completed initial Aeromagnetic surveying over copper-gold projects

**Sydney, 17 December, 2010:** Precious and base metals explorer, Thomson Resources (ASX: TMZ), today announced that the Company has successfully completed an Initial Public Offering ("IPO"), raising \$4.6 million through the placement of 22,864,500 shares at 20c per share. Thomson will debut on the Australian Securities Exchange at 12pm AEST, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2011. Thomson is now fully funded to progress its exploration program over a range of targets at its dominant 6,000 km<sup>2</sup> tenement holding in the Thomson Fold Belt in Northern NSW.

The offer, which closed on 8 December, 2010, was strongly supported by institutional and retail shareholders, and also received a strong response from shareholders in founding ASX listed companies, Minotaur Exploration Limited (ASX: MEP) and Platsearch NL (ASX: PTS) to take up their priority entitlements.

The capital raised will underpin an aggressive drilling program due to commence in early 2011 on its portfolio of tenements and pre-defined targets in the highly prospective and under-explored Thomson Fold Belt region. Thomson will also use this funding to identify additional targets, and pursue strategic acquisition opportunities. The funds will also be used to satisfy general working capital requirements and operational overheads.

Commenting on the IPO and planned exploration program, Thomson Resources Managing Director Eoin Rothery said: “The Board of Thomson Resources Limited is pleased to announce the imminent listing of the Company on the ASX following strong support from local and international investors. The company is drill ready, and will update shareholders on the expected commencement of drilling in the immediate future”.

“Most pleasing is the strong response to the offer in a period of unprecedented activity in the Australian capital markets, particularly with over 25 resources companies undertaking IPOs. We feel this is a result of the prospectivity and exceptionally large tenement position in what is expected to be an extension of the highly mineralised Lachlan Fold Belt region, and the fact that the Company is poised to immediately commence drilling and additional exploration activity”.

"Thomson have received strong interest from a range of institutional, sophisticated and retail investors during the offer period which opened in early November, with support coming from both local investors and international participants primarily from Singapore”.

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**Background – Project Portfolio**

The Company controls a large strategic ground position of more than 6,000 km<sup>2</sup> within the Thomson Fold Belt, recognised as one of Australia’s most prospective new mineral provinces. The Thomson Fold Belt has many distinct similarities to the well-endowed Lachlan Fold Belt which hosts numerous world-class deposits such as the Peak gold-copper and Endeavor zinc-lead-silver deposits in the Cobar Basin, and the Northparkes and Cadia-Ridgeway porphyry copper-gold systems, and is interpreted to be its north-western extension.

**The Thomson Fold Belt represents one of the last exploration frontiers in Australia and is considered to have excellent exploration potential for similar large, high-grade deposits, but as yet is largely unexplored.**

Over the past three years Thomson Resources and its ASX-listed founder companies, PlatSearch NL (ASX: PTS) and Minotaur Exploration Ltd (ASX: MEP), have completed extensive geophysics and drilling in the region, identifying high quality exploration targets

within the Company's tenements. Results from this work have provided strong indications that mineral deposits may be present and confirming the many similarities to the Lachlan Fold Belt, including rocks that appear identical to those that host the rich Cobar deposits to the southwest.

**Five Cobar-type anomalies have been drilled to date in the area and all intersected veining, alteration and base metal sulphides consistent with interpreted proximity to mineralised systems.**

In addition, the Company has secured, through joint ventures with Raptor Minerals Limited, quality gold prospects including the Ares gold prospect where previous exploration has identified high grade outcropping and gold mineralisation within a major fault system. Results from previous exploration include drill intersections of 8m @ 5.8 g/t and 3m @ 7.0 g/t, as well as a best trench sample of 2m @ 105.8 g/t Au.

Eight priority targets are ready for immediate drill testing, located within a range of differing geological environments including the advanced Ares gold project and the Cuttaburra and F16 base metal projects.

*The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Eoin Rothery, who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Rothery is Chief Executive Officer and a full time employee of Thomson Resources Ltd. Mr Rothery has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Rothery consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.*