## EV Nickel Drilling on the High-Grade W4 Zone Hits Sulphide Intercepts on the First Two Holes and Extends Mineralized Zone to the East

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- Two holes, EV23-01 and EV23-02, totalling 875m of drilling have been completed targeting the extension of the W4 Zone 50 metres to the east
- Both holes intersected sulphide mineralization consistent with the W4 Zone along the interpreted projection of the sulphide zone and assay results are pending, completion of logging and submission for analysis
- Drilling continues on section 497550E testing the up-plunge potential of the sulphide mineralization
- Sean Samson, President & CEO, will host a live digital event today at 10am ET, to discuss this W4 drilling, the final CarLang A Zone assays and Upcoming Catalysts, including the A Zone Resource due later this quarter. The event will be accessible through https://7q9e.short.gy/W4Hits

TORONTO, February 16, 2023 - EV Nickel Inc. (TSX-V:EVNI) ("EVNi" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that the Phase 4 drill program on the eastern extension of the High-Grade W4 Zone has successfully completed the first 2 holes on Section 497550mE, with both holes intersecting sulphide mineralization consistent with the Phase 2 drill program completed in 2022 (For the W4 Zone location in the Shaw Dome Project, please see Figure 1).

"I am excited about the intersection of sulphides in the first 2 holes of the program as they appear to confirm the Company's interpretation that the W4 Zone extends further to the east than previously interpreted. Each additional 50 metre section of mineralization significantly increases the potential size of the mineralized zone," said Paul Davis, Vice President Exploration. "We are currently drilling the next hole on the section, tracing the updip potential of the zone. Identifying these sulphides on Section 497550mE has led us to expand the drilling to include holes on Section 497600mE, looking to continue extending the mineralization, another 50 metres to the east."

The two drill holes passed through the expected komatiitic units and intersected the sulphide mineralization where the Company had projected the extension of the sulphide zone from drilling completed in 2022. Sulphide mineralization consists of the typical W4 sulphide mineralization with semi-massive veins, blebs, heavy dusty disseminated and disseminated intercepts and has been observed in the core over drill intercepts of greater than 10 metres (see Figure 2).

As a reference, results from the Phase 2 Drill Program completed in 2022, holes EV22-17 and EV22-18, located approximately 50 metres to the west of the current drilling intersected 20.60m grading 1.23% Ni and 15.70m grading 0.90% Ni drill lengths, respectively (see Figure 3).

The Company is still logging the mineralized intercepts and does not assume that the zones will contain the same nickel grades or tenors as observed throughout the W4 Zone, this will not be known until assays are completed. The sulphide intercepts will be sampled and sent for analysis in the coming days. The Company expects the assay results from the two holes in 6 to 8 weeks.

About EV Nickel Inc.

EV Nickel's mission is to accelerate the transition to clean energy. It is a Canadian nickel exploration company, focussed on the Shaw Dome Project, south of Timmins, Ontario. The Shaw Dome includes the W4 Zone, the basis of a 2010 historical estimate of 677K tonnes @ 1.00% Ni, ~15M lbs of Class 1 Nickel. EV Nickel plans to grow and advance a Clean Nickel ™ business, targeting the growing demand from

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the electric vehicle battery sector. EV Nickel has over 30,000 hectares to explore across the Shaw Dome and has identified >100 km of additional favourable strike length. The Company is focused on a 2-track strategy: Track 1- to produce High-Grade Clean Nickel ™ (starting with W4) and Track 2- an integrated Carbon Capture & Storage project with Large-Scale Clean Nickel TM production (starting with CarLang).

## **Qualified Person**

The Company's Projects are under the direct technical supervision of Paul Davis, P.Geo., and Vice-President of the Company. Mr. Davis is a Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101. He has reviewed and approved the technical information in this press release. There are no known factors that could materially affect the reliability of the information verified by Mr. Davis.

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