

# NexMetals Drills 231 m of 1.09% CuEq, Including 97 m of 1.28% CuEq Establishing Scale, Grade and Expansion Potential at Selkirk

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[NexMetals Mining Corp.](#) (TSXV: NEXM) (NASDAQ: NEXM) (the "Company") announces assay results from the final three holes of the 2025 metallurgical drill program at the past producing Copper, Nickel, Cobalt and Platinum Group Elements ("Cu-Ni-Co-PGE") Selkirk Mine in Botswana.

Why This Matters: Consistent grade over large intervals indicates potential for a low strip ratio, open pit development (see "Technical Report" below).

- Results from the final 3 holes of the 2025 metallurgical program confirm wide, continuous zones of mineralization suitable for the ongoing metallurgical test work.
  - SMET-25-009: wide interval of continuous mineralization
    - 231.00 metres of 1.09% CuEq (0.39% Cu, 0.38% Ni, 0.64 ppm Pd, 0.15 ppm Pt)  
incl. 97.00 metres of 1.28% CuEq (0.46% Cu, 0.43% Ni, 0.76 ppm Pd, 0.18 ppm Pt)  
incl. 47.90 metres of 1.42% CuEq (0.52% Cu, 0.49% Ni, 0.83 ppm Pd, 0.17 ppm Pt)
- All mineralization from SMET-25-011 was intercepted below the Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") and the conceptual pit demonstrating the potential for expansion of the deposit at depth.
- Mineralization intercepted above the MRE and within the current conceptual pit shell demonstrates the potential for expansion of the deposit toward the surface.
- All assay results reported to date will be incorporated into an updated MRE.
- Drill core from all eleven 2025 holes reported to date is now supporting the metallurgical testwork underway at Blue Coast Research in British Columbia. This work will help optimize the flowsheet, maximize recoveries, and advance the evaluation of separating the concentrate.
- Current cut-off of US\$25.00 per tonne net smelter return defined in the 2024 MRE translates to 0.46% CuEq. Any material above this cut-off grade could potentially be mined.

Figure 1: Location of 2025 metallurgical drill holes, resampled drillholes and Mineral Resource Estimate.

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Morgan Lekstrom, CEO of the Company, commented: "The takeaway from this metallurgical drilling program is the sizable, mineralized continuity across this deposit. Delivering wide intervals of consistent high-grade mineralization reinforces just how big this system is and gives us the confidence to advance the next stage of our technical work. With all assays from the 2025 metallurgical drill program now reported, our technical team is focused on advancing the metallurgical work currently underway and ongoing assessment of processing options. This next stage will refine the flowsheet, confirm recoveries across the program, and drive the technical work that will inform future development decisions. Selkirk is increasingly demonstrating its potential as a significant additional value driver for NexMetals."

Table 1: Assay Results Selkirk Deposit

HOLE ID	FROM (m)	TO (m)	<sup>1</sup> LENGTH (m)	<sup>2</sup> Est. True Thickness (m)	Cu (%)	Ni (%)	Co (%)	Pd (ppm)	Pt (ppm)	Au (ppm)	<sup>3</sup> CuEq (%)
SMET-25-009	77.00	308.00	231.00	123	0.39	0.38	0.02	0.64	0.15	0.07	1.09
incl.	129.00	226.00	97.00	66	0.46	0.43	0.03	0.76	0.18	0.08	1.28
and	257.00	304.90	47.90	33	0.52	0.49	0.03	0.83	0.17	0.07	1.42
SMET-25-010	110.00	281.00	171.00	102	0.29	0.29	0.02	0.51	0.12	0.05	0.85
incl.	110.00	268.00	158.00	94	0.30	0.30	0.02	0.52	0.12	0.05	0.86
incl.	146.00	196.00	50.00	30	0.40	0.43	0.02	0.68	0.16	0.08	1.18
SMET-25-011	112.00	125.00	13.00	8	0.15	0.19	0.01	0.35	0.09	0.03	0.52
SMET-25-011	171.10	324.00	152.90	95	0.25	0.26	0.02	0.54	0.12	0.05	0.79
incl.	275.10	319.00	43.90	29	0.35	0.34	0.02	0.75	0.16	0.06	1.07
OUTSIDE MRE AND WITHIN CONCEPTUAL PIT											
SMET-25-009	77.00	102.00	25.00	13	0.21	0.23	0.02	0.33	0.08	0.05	0.61
OUTSIDE MRE AND BENEATH CONCEPTUAL PIT											
SMET-25-009	294.00	308.00	14.00	10	0.40	0.55	0.04	0.96	0.16	0.06	1.42
SMET-25-011	112.00	125.00	13.00	8	0.15	0.19	0.01	0.35	0.09	0.03	0.52
SMET-25-011	171.10	324.00	152.90	95	0.25	0.26	0.02	0.54	0.12	0.05	0.79
incl.	275.10	319.00	43.90	29	0.35	0.34	0.02	0.75	0.16	0.06	1.07

<sup>1</sup>Length refers to drillhole length and not true width.

<sup>2</sup>True thickness is estimated using the MRE wireframe where available.

<sup>3</sup>CuEq% calculated using the formula  $Cu\% + Ni\% * (55.605/53.913) + Pd\ g/t * (22.948/53.913) + Pt\ g/t * (14.891/53.913)$  using metal prices and recoveries listed in the 2025 Technical Report.

Table 2: Drill Collar Information Selkirk Deposit

HOLE ID	<sup>1</sup> Easting	<sup>1</sup> Northing	<sup>1</sup> Elevation	Dip	Azimuth	Hole Length (m)
SMET-25-009	575330.4	7642547.7	989.3	-88.1	334.7	455.2
SMET-25-010	575284.7	7642459.4	984.4	-70.4	36.3	388.9
SMET-25-011	575205.0	7642236.3	982.7	-68.8	39.4	403.6

<sup>1</sup>Coordinates are WGS84z35S with geoidal elevations

## Technical Report

The MRE on the Selkirk Mine is supported by the Technical Report entitled "NI 43-101 Technical Report Selkirk Nickel Project, North East District, Republic of Botswana", dated January 8, 2025 (with an effective date of November 1, 2024). Reference should be made to the full text of the Technical Report for the assumptions, qualifications and limitations set forth therein, which was prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 and Subpart 1300 of Regulation S-K and is available on SEDAR+ ([www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca)) and EDGAR ([www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)), in each case, under NEXM's issuer profile.

## Quality Control

The Selkirk metallurgical drill program was completed by Discovery Drilling using a Boyles 56 machine. Drill core samples are HQ (63.5 mm diameter) that were sawn in half with one half sawn in half again to produce quartered core. Selected portions of the remaining core were sent to Blue Coast Research for metallurgical flotation studies with the remainder retained for reference purposes. The quartered core samples submitted to the lab were generally 1 metre in length. Sample preparation and lab analysis was completed at ALS Chemex in Johannesburg, South Africa. Commercially prepared blank samples and certified Cu/Ni sulphide analytical control standards with a range of grades are inserted in every batch of 20 samples or a minimum of one set per sample batch. Analyses for Ni, Cu and Co are completed using a peroxide fusion preparation and ICP-AES finish (ME-ICP81). Analyses for Pt, Pd, and Au are by fire assay (30 grams nominal sample weight) with an ICP-AES finish (PGM-ICP23).

## Qualified Person

All scientific and technical information in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Sharon Taylor, VP Exploration of the Company, MSc, P.Geol., and a "qualified person" for the purposes of National Instrument 43-101 and Subpart 1300 of Regulation S-K.

## About NexMetals Mining Corp.

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NexMetals is committed to governance through transparent accountability and open communication within our team and our stakeholders. NexMetals' team brings extensive experience across the full spectrum of mine discovery and development. Collectively, the team has contributed to dozens of projects, including work on the Company's Selebi and Selkirk mines. Senior team members each have on average, more than 20 years of experience spanning geology, engineering, operations, and project development.

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