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RESOURCES & INVESTMENTS LTD

STOCK EXCHANGE ANNOUNCEMENT

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Proto Share Placement closes Oversubscribed

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The Directors of Proto Resources & Investments Ltd are pleased to announce that a share placement of \$3 million has today closed well oversubscribed by institutional and high net-worth investors. The placement was of 30 million shares at a price of ten cents per share, with a one for three attaching option exercisable at five cents on or before 31 December 2011.

The Company sought and obtained pre-approval to place up to 15 million shares and attaching options pursuant to a Resolution of its recent General Meeting, the balance of the 30 million shares being made up of the Company's refreshed 15% capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

BBY acted as Lead Manager to the placement.

Proto will use the funds raised to complete the measured resource drill-out at its flagship Barnes Hill project in Tasmania, commencing in early September. The Company will also expand its nickel sulphide exploration programme, including commencing work on the 100% owned new Exploration Licence Applications near Lindeman's Bore, which total over 3000 km².

Additionally, funds raised will be applied to nickel exploration at Proto's Menzies joint venture with Poseidon Nickel, and to drilling at Mt Vettors in WA as announced. Drilling at Mt Vettors is due to commence on Monday 3 August, coincident with the Diggers & Dealers conference in Kalgoorlie.

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