



Media Release

Minto Explorations Official Partner for Yukon Quest Volunteer Program

August 6, 2010 (Whitehorse, Yukon) – The Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Race announced a strategic partnership with Minto Explorations, which owns and operates the Minto copper-gold mine near Pelly Crossing, and is a subsidiary of Capstone Mining Corp. of Vancouver. Minto Explorations will be the official Yukon Volunteer Program partner for the 2011 Yukon Quest.

The announcement comes just in time for Saturday's Volunteer Appreciation Day which is happening simultaneously with the first day of signups for mushers competing in the 2011 race.

"We are pleased to have Minto Explorations on board as our sponsor of the Yukon Volunteer Program," said Georgina Leslie, Executive Director of the Yukon Quest International Association (Canada).

"Volunteers are a key factor in the success of the race. Minto Explorations is showing their support for the communities and Yukoners who help us deliver this great race for mushers, fans, visitors and Yukoners."

"We believe it is important to invest back into the communities in which we work," said Stephen Quin, President of Minto Explorations and Capstone. "The volunteer effort associated with making the Yukon Quest is something we recognize and support."

The Minto Mine is a high grade copper-gold mine that has been in operation in Yukon since 2007. It is located 240km north of Whitehorse, and is owned 100% by Minto Explorations Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Capstone Mining Corporation. The Minto Mine employs over 120 Yukoners and is a key contributor to the Yukon economy.

Please visit www.yukonquest.com for up-to-date information and news on the Yukon Quest. The 2011 Yukon Quest starts February 5th in Whitehorse, Yukon.

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