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NWT Mining and Exploration Awards Nominations Launched

(Yellowknife, NT – June 8, 2018) Nominations are now open for the second annual NWT Mining and Exploration (MAX) Awards.

The MAX awards are a partnership of the Government of the Northwest Territories and the NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines. The awards celebrate and encourage excellence within the NWT's largest industry. Nominations are being sought in the following categories:

- Distinguished Service
- Economic Leadership
- Environmental & Social Responsibility
- Indigenous Achievement
- Special Achievement

The nominations deadline is October 1, 2018. Nominations can be submitted through the GNWT Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment's <u>MAX Awards Nomination Portal</u> or at the Chamber of Mines office in Yellowknife. The awards will be presented November 22 during the 46th Annual Yellowknife Geoscience Forum.

"The MAX awards recognize northern individuals, businesses, and organizations that have generated opportunities and demonstrated leadership in responsible and successful resource development," said Tom Hoefer, Executive Director, NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines. "As a result of their vision, their skill, and their perseverance and dedication, we have a world-class industry which includes jobs and business benefits, training opportunities, Indigenous participation, and public and government engagement, all of which adds to the well-being of the Northwest Territories," he added.

The 2018 MAX awards nominations process was launched during NWT Mining Week. This is the first year for formal nominations. Inaugural recipients were selected by a committee of representatives from the GNWT and the Chamber of Mines. For details on inaugural recipients, see the Chamber's 2017 MAX awards media release and for photos click here.

For more information on the NWT and Nunavut mining industries, please visit the Chamber of Mines website at <u>www.miningnorth.com</u> or contact Tom Hoefer, Executive Director at Tel: 867-873-5281 or email: <u>executivedirector@miningnorth.com</u>.