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Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund Hosts 2014 Annual Mining Ready Summit - Preparing Aboriginal Communities for Mining-Related Business Opportunities -

THUNDER BAY, ON: Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund (NADF) is pleased to host the "4th Annual Mining Ready Summit (MRS)" at Thunder Bay's Valhalla Inn on October 28-29, 2014. Since its inaugural event, the primary goal of the MRS has been to develop an increased awareness and understanding between resource companies and Aboriginal communities to build mutually beneficial relationships conducive to developing partnerships and business opportunities.

Delegates at the two-day event will learn and network with guest speakers who will share their experiences, knowledge and expertise on developing resources and business opportunities.

Exhibitors at a SOLD OUT tradeshow will feature Aboriginal businesses, resources companies, industry suppliers, training agencies, etc. A dinner on the evening of Tuesday, October 28 will feature a keynote address from Nishnawbe Aski Nation Grand Chief Harvey Yesno.

Media are invited to a press conference: WHEN: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 10:45 AM

WHERE: Ballroom 1, Valhalla Inn

1 Valhalla Inn Road, Thunder Bay, ON

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For more information on the Mining Ready Summit, visit www.miningready.com. For more information on Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund, visit www.nadf.org.

ABOUT NADF

Incorporated in 1984, Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund (NADF) is a non-profit economic development corporation providing financial assistance (commercial loans, equipment leasing and grants), resource sector support and business counseling services to Aboriginal businesses and entrepreneurs, on and off-reserve, in northern Ontario, including Treaty #9, #3, #5 (Ontario portion), and Robinson-Superior 1850 Treaties. NADF's goal is to empower northern Ontario's growing Aboriginal population through business development and entrepreneurship by providing support and expert advice for all their business needs.