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TSX - HNC

## **Hard Creek Nickel Corporation Completes First Tranche of Non Brokered Private Placement**

Hard Creek Nickel Corp. (TSX – HNC) announces that it has completed the first tranche of the 8.4 Million Unit non-brokered private placement previously announced January 9, 2012 and terms amended January 24, 2012.

The Company completed the placement of 2,087,778 Units at \$0.18 Cdn. per Unit for gross proceeds of \$375,800.04.

Proceeds of the private placement will be used for general working capital.

The private placement remains subject to regulatory acceptance and approval.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

*“Mark Jarvis”*

**MARK JARVIS, President  
HARD CREEK NICKEL CORPORATION**

*The TSX has not reviewed this news release and does not accept responsibility for the accuracy or adequacy of this news release.*

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