

Celeste Copper Corporation

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Celeste Announces Director Appointment and Update to Field Operations

CALGARY, ALBERTA--(Marketwire - Jan. 8, 2009) - Celeste Copper Corporation ("Celeste" or the "Corporation") (TSX VENTURE:C) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Erich Boechler to its board of directors. Mr. Boechler has 15 years of experience in the Canadian and international investment community most recently as a Director and Vice President of Leede Financial Markets Inc. Mr. Boechler brings expertise in corporate finance, acquisitions and mergers in the junior and intermediate resource sector to Celeste.

Mr. Elmer Stewart, President and CEO of Celeste stated, "We are very pleased that Mr. Boechler has accepted our invitation and look forward to working closely with Erich over the next few years to achieve our corporate objectives of establishing Celeste as one of the premier junior copper exploration companies in Chile."

In the fourth quarter of 2008, Celeste completed geophysical surveys, mapping and systematic channel sampling on four of the mineralized (copper-gold-silver) breccia pipes on its Negrita and Celeste mineral claims located in the Cabeza de Vaca mineral district approximately 30 kilometres from Copiapo, Chile. Results from these surveys are expected in mid to late January. Celeste will commence a diamond drilling program on the Negrita mineral claims upon review of the surveys.

Elmer B. Stewart, MSc. P. Geol., President of Celeste, is the Corporation's nominated Qualified Person pursuant to National Instrument #43-101, Standards for Disclosure for Mineral Projects, has reviewed the technical information disclosed in this news release.

Forward Looking Statements: This news release contains forward - looking information including but not limited to comments regarding the timing and content of upcoming work programs and geological interpretations. Forward - looking information includes disclosure regarding possible future events and therefore, involves inherent risks and uncertainties. For any forward looking information given, management has assumed that the analytical results it has received are reliable, and has applied geological interpretation methodologies which are consistent with industry standards. Although management has a reasonable basis for the conclusions drawn, actual results may differ materially from those currently anticipated in such statements. For such statements, we claim the safe harbor.

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