

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **NORTHISLE IDENTIFIES TWO IP ANOMALIES ON ITS RUPERT CLAIM BLOCK**

VANCOUVER, B.C. Northisle Copper and Gold Inc. ("**Northisle**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that the Induced Polarization Survey (IP Survey) carried out on the eastern Rupert Block of the Island Copper Project has located two induced polarization chargeability anomalies (as defined by greater than 3 times background (>15mV/V)) in areas of extensive glacial sedimentary cover. The Rupert Block is located approximately 40 kilometres from the Hushamu Deposit where the Company has recently begun a 4,000m drill program and 10km from the Island Copper Mine site.

The first anomaly is 800 metres wide, remains open to the west, and is 300m wide on the closest line located 1000m to the east. Historical drill holes located on the far northern flank of this anomaly intersected silicified, chloritically and pyrite altered volcanic rocks. The second anomaly occurs on three lines spaced one kilometre apart and remains open to the north on all of the lines.

The IP Survey on the Rupert Block represents approximately 25% of the full program of IP Survey designed to evaluate previously untested magnetic anomalies covered by recent glacial deposits. The remainder of the IP Survey will be completed once weather conditions permit.

Jack McClintock, President and CEO of Northisle commented "the discovery of two untested IP anomalies associated with magnetic anomalies and nearby altered rocks that are often found on the fringes of porphyry copper deposits is very encouraging. Further IP surveying and drill testing is clearly warranted".

#### **About Northisle**

Northisle is a Vancouver based junior resource company committed to the exploration and development of the Island Copper-Gold Project on Northern Vancouver Island. The Island Copper-Gold Project is situated approximately 15-40 kilometres southwest of Port Hardy and contains the Hushamu Deposit and five other partially explored copper-gold porphyry occurrences. A \$1.5 million exploration program at the Island Copper-Gold Project was initiated in August 2011.

Jack McClintock, P.Eng is the qualified person responsible for the technical content of this press release.

For more information on Northisle and the Hushamu Deposit please visit the Company's website at [www.Northisle.ca](http://www.Northisle.ca).

On behalf of Northisle Copper and Gold Inc.

*"John McClintock"*

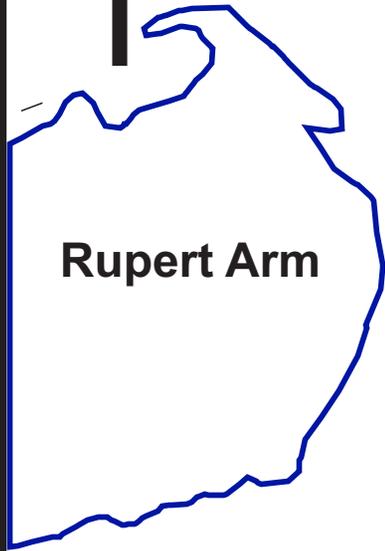
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# Rupert Block IP Results

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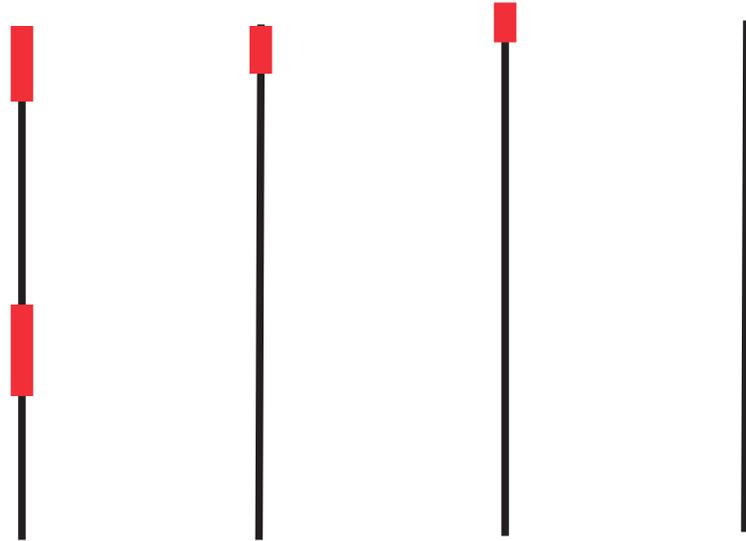


Rupert Arm

Historical Drilling



Open



IP Lines



Chargeability >15 mV/V

Scale

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2km

