



## FATHOM ANNOUNCES FURTHER INCREASE TO LAND PACKAGE AT THE GOCHAGER LAKE PROPERTY

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**Calgary, Alberta – July 10, 2023 – Fathom Nickel Inc.** (the “Company” or “Fathom”) (CSE:FNI), (FSE: 6Q5), (OTCQB: FNICF) is pleased to announce a further increase in the Company’s land position at the Gochager Lake Project. The Company recently acquired, through direct staking, the 3,060-hectare disposition MC00017403 (the “New Disposition”). This brings the Company’s total contiguous land package at Gochager Lake to 22,620 hectares. See Figure 1.

The New Disposition is located approximately three kilometers due south of the site of Fathom’s recent Gochager Lake exploration program. The New Disposition falls within the *Area of Interest* clause of the Gochager Lake Option Agreement (the “**Option Agreement**”), and thus the land position covered under the Option Agreement has now increased by 3,060 hectares.

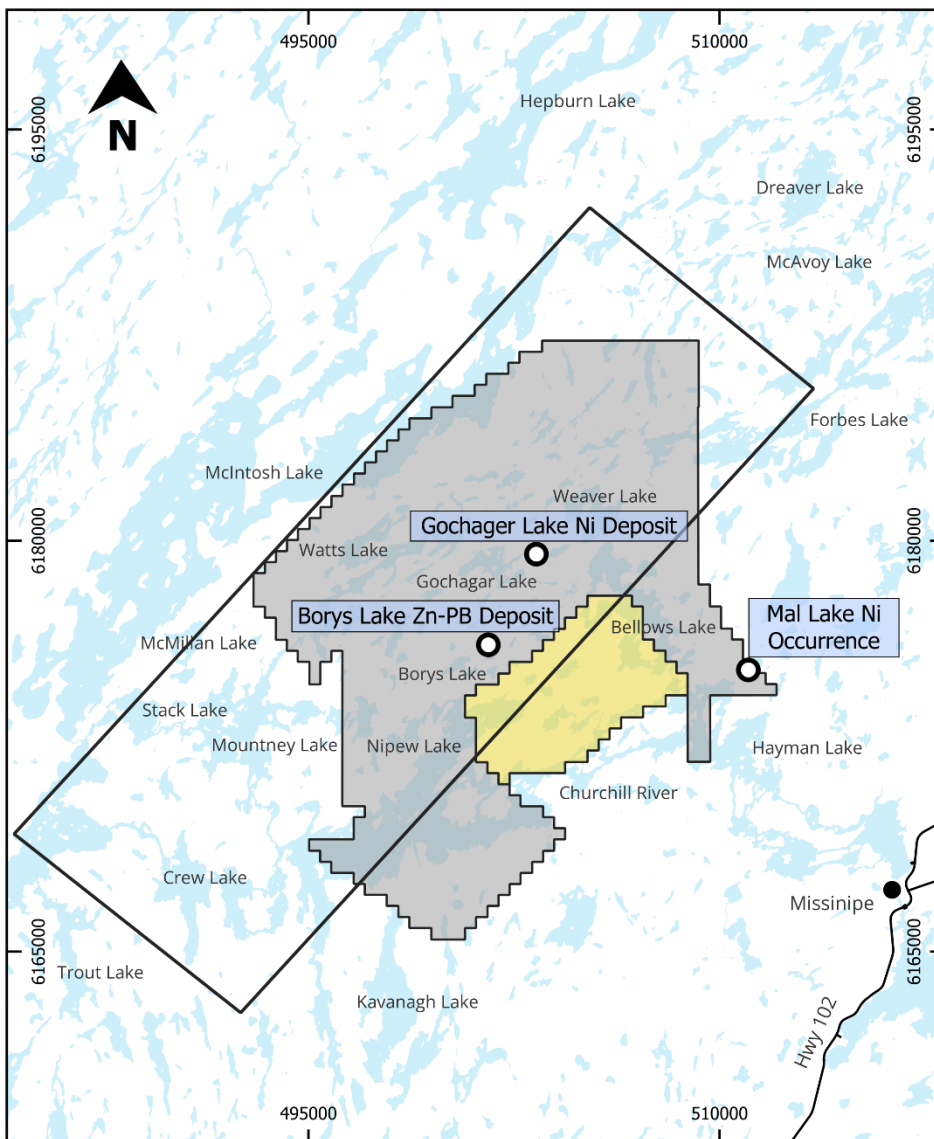
“The addition of the New Disposition at Gochager Lake adds to our growing interest in this regional play,” commented Ian Fraser, CEO & VP Exploration. “The acquisition of the New Disposition is important for a couple of reasons. First, it ensures that Fathom’s land package now fully encompasses 13 of the 15 high-priority targets recently identified by our structural interpretation of the historic 2008 VTEM survey. Secondly, it provides an additional “buffer” in the area of the Mal Lake nickel occurrence where a 1967 drillhole intersected 1.12% Ni, 0.24% Cu over 7.9m<sup>1</sup>. The Mal Lake nickel occurrence exhibits similar characteristics to the Gochager Lake deposit, located 10 kilometers to the northwest.”

### **Geophysics Programs Update**

The surface time domain electromagnetic (TDEM) program was recently completed at the Tremblay-Olson Claims Area at the Albert Lake Project. Surface TDEM and borehole electromagnetic (BHEM) surveys at the Gochager Lake project is expected to be completed by July 14, 2023.

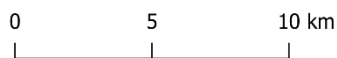
Results from the geophysics programs are generating follow-up drill targets at both the Albert Lake and Gochager Lake Projects. The Company continues interpretation from both programs and will make results available once analysis is complete.

**FIGURE 1 – GOCHAGER LAKE DISPOSITIONS and 2008 VTEM AREA**



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- Fathom Nickel Gochager Lake Dispositions
- Fathom Nickel Gochager Lake New Staking
- VTEM Survey Area



## **About the Gochager Lake Property**

The Gochager Lake Property is now comprised of a land package totalling 22,620 hectares located in north-central Saskatchewan, approximately 20 km northwest of the village of Missinipe and near the Company's Albert Lake Project.

The Company is currently conducting a second round of BHEM at Gochager Lake. This work is expected to be completed by mid-July. Once processed and analyzed, the geophysical results will play a critical role in fine-tuning drill hole locations for the next round of drilling at Gochager – expected to commence mid-August.

## **Qualified Person and Data Verification**

Ian Fraser, P.Geo., CEO, VP Exploration, and a Director of the Company and the "qualified person" as such term is defined by National Instrument 43-101, has verified the data disclosed in this news release, and has otherwise reviewed and approved the technical information in this news release on behalf of the Company.

## **About Fathom Nickel Inc.**

Fathom is a battery metals-focused exploration company that is targeting magmatic nickel sulphide discoveries to support the rapidly growing global electric vehicle market.

The Company now has a portfolio of two highly prospective exploration projects located in the prolific Trans Hudson Corridor in Saskatchewan: 1) the Albert Lake Project, a 90,000+ hectare project that was host to the historic and past producing Rottenstone deposit (produced high-grade Ni-Cu+PGE, 1965-1969), and 2) the Gochager Lake Project, 22,000+ hectare project host to a historic, NI43-101 non-compliant open pit resource; the Gochager Lake deposit (4.3M tons at 0.295% Ni and 0.081% Cu<sup>2</sup>, defined 1967-1970), and the analogous Mal Lake nickel occurrence last drilled in 1967, and the Borys Lake Zn-Cu-Pb+Ag occurrence.

*1 – The Saskatchewan Mineral Deposit Index (SMID#0836)*

*2 - The Saskatchewan Mineral Deposit Index (SMID#0880) reports drill indicated reserves at the historic Gochager Lake Deposit of 4,262,400 tons grading 0.295% Ni and 0.081% Cu mineable by open pit. Fathom cannot confirm the resource estimate, nor the parameters and methods used to prepare the reserve estimate. The estimate is not considered NI43-101 compliant and further work is required to verify this historical drill indicated reserve.*

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