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**News Release**

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## **TUMI RESOURCES COMMENCES AIRBORNE EM GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS AT TOMTEBO, ÖSTER SILVERBERG AND VITTURN PROJECTS, BERGSLAGEN DISTRICT, SWEDEN**

**Vancouver, Canada - Tumi Resources Limited (“Tumi” and/or the “Company”) (TSXv-TM; OTCBB - TUMIF; Frankfurt - TUY).** David Henstridge, President, is pleased to announce the start of an airborne (by helicopter) electromagnetic (EM) geophysical survey (the “Survey”) over the Company's wholly-owned Tomtebo, Öster Silverberg and Vitturn licence areas located in the Bergslagen District, Sweden. The Survey will involve approximately 500 line kms of flying and data recording on lines spaced 100m apart and covering the licence areas.

**Tomtebo:** The historic Tomtebo mine is located 25 km southeast of the city of Falun, Sweden. Earliest records indicate that the Tomtebo mine was first discovered and developed in the mid-seventeenth century, but detailed production records were kept only in the early part of the twentieth century. The mine has been closed since 1969. The host rocks are cordierite quartzite and mica schists which grade into biotite-andalusite bearing quartzite. These rocks are derived from highly potassic rhyolite tuffs.

Copper ore at the Tomtebo mine occurred in small folds as lenses or stringers in an anticline. Between 1836 and 1837, 1,841 tons of copper and 1,077 tons of sulphur were produced. The copper content of the ore varied from 3.0% to 5.3% between the years 1915 and 1919. The average ore grade during the last phase of mining, between 1965 and 1969, was about 1% copper, 1% zinc and 35% sulphur. An assay of fairly pure chalcopyrite (copper ore) gave 140 g/t silver and 9 g/t gold.

**Öster Silverberg:** The Öster Silverberg mine, located 27 km south of the city of Falun, was once the chief producer of silver in Sweden in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, but there has been no production since the mid- 1920's. The host rock is generally a metamorphosed, fine-grained, bedded potassic rhyolite tuff. Near the ore contacts, the rock is often classified as an "ore quartzite" which is actually the tuff that has been altered to mostly quartz, garnet, mica, minor andalusite and other metamorphic minerals. The mineral bodies at Öster Silverberg are found in cross-fractures, spatially related to the metamorphosed tuff formations, which appear to have been formed by the regional folding that deformed the host rocks.

The principal ore was an argentiferous galena that formed a columnar body to the 220 metre level of the mine. Flanking the galena to the north and southeast occur some narrower pyrite-sphalerite orebodies containing very little galena and traces of chalcopyrite, quartz and fluorite. Complete mine production and grade records are not available. Early records indicate that silver production exceeded 32,000 ozs per year. One tabulation shows a total of only 2,900 ozs of silver mined in thirteen different years between 1636 and 1920. The mine suffered several shut-downs in these centuries due to rock caves, owing in part to the reduced production during these times.

Various assays from the 17th and 18th centuries show that the Öster Silverberg galena carried from 1,053 to 4,335 g/t silver. In addition, the silver recovered contained about 10% gold (from 100 to 430 g/t.)

**Vitturn:** The Vitturn licence covers a series of base metal, silver and iron occurrences developed along the western belt of mineralization in the Bergslagen district. The project targets a flexure position in the western mineralized belt where occurrences are limestone-hosted and provide potential for large replacement style deposits. Mineralization is associated with strongly magnetic features which trend for 10 km through the Vitturn claim.

Mr Henstridge stated “these three licences cover old mines and surface mineralization that have had little modern exploration undertaken within them. The EM survey will cover many kms of prospective host rocks along strike and around the old mines and over surface mineralization. There is a strong possibility that there are other mineralized horizons at depth, along strike or in parallel structures that do not come to surface. We are very hopeful that the survey will define EM targets that will be drilled as soon as practicable”.

The qualified person for Tumi's projects, David Henstridge, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists, has visited the Tomtebo, Öster Silvberg and Vitturn licences in the Bergslagen District, Sweden, and has verified the contents of this news release.

On behalf of the Board,

**"David Henstridge"**

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