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## SHAREHOLDER UPDATE

## Dear OT and Namex Shareholders and Interested Parties,

Many of you long term shareholders know that I have been on a tare for a number of years about the coming demand/supply deficit in the metals that we need to live.

I believe that you will find the following article on the nickel supply deficit vindicates my position.

If you would like further articles regarding the nickel situation, please e-mail me at info@otmining.com and I will forward what in my opinion is valid and informative.

Namex's projects are strategically located within the world's largest, most secure source of nickel, The Sudbury Basin, Ontario, Canada.

The O.T. Mining Corporation owns 21.6% of Namex.

Sincerely yours, James W. Hess, President

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## Nickel Rises to 19-Year High as Rising Demand Erodes Inventory

By Katy Watson

Aug. 22 (Bloomberg) -- Nickel rose to the highest price in at least 19 years on the London Metal Exchange on speculation that global inventories will be eroded by rising demand from makers of stainless steel.

Stockpiles of nickel monitored by the exchange have plunged 83 percent this year, and prices have more than doubled. Demand surged for the metal used to reduce rust in stainless steel as China needed more raw materials for homes, cars and appliances.

"For the moment, the market is very tight" for immediate delivery, said John Kemp, an analyst at Sempra Metals in London. Prices will remain volatile "until there is a much, much greater availability of stock," he said.

Nickel for delivery in three months rose \$1,505, or 5.3 percent, to \$29,950 a metric ton at 6:20 p.m. on the London Metal Exchange, the highest since at least 1987, Bloomberg data shows.

Nickel for immediate delivery was even more costly, up \$1,805, or 5.4 percent, at \$35,200 a ton. The spread between spot supplies and metal for delivery in three months widened to \$4,950 a ton yesterday, three times the difference on Aug. 1.

LME-monitored inventories total 6,240 tons today compared with 35,742 tons at the start of the year, exchange figures show.

The shortfall in nickel will be 30,000 tons this year, according to Toronto-based Inco Ltd., the world's second-largest producer. Stainless-steel output will rise 8.6 percent to 26.4 million tons, according to the International Stainless Steel Forum.

## **Reduced Production**

Output has declined at nickel producers this year. A strike at Inco's Voisey's Bay mine in Newfoundland has curbed supply since July 28. BHP Billiton, the world's third-largest nickel producer, said production at its Yabulu mine in Australia dropped by a third in the second quarter.

The LME, the world's largest metals market, imposed a limit on borrowing and lending costs of nickel to \$300 a ton a day on Aug. 16. Prior to the restriction, borrowers of nickel for immediate delivery had to pay more than \$1,000 a ton, the highest since 1999, according to data compiled by Bloomberg.

Even after the rally, prices may be poised to fall.

Nickel's 14-day relative strength index rose to 71.295, from 66.653 yesterday. The index peaked at 75.418 Aug. 16, the highest since July 12. A reading above 70 typically indicates a decline is imminent.

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