

NEWS RELEASE

DARNLEY BAY RESOURCES COMPLETES AIRBORNE SURVEYS AND PREPARES FOR DRILLING

Toronto, ON – April 9, 2010 – Darnley Bay Resources Limited (the “Company”) (TSX VENTURE: DBL) is pleased to announce that the 5,980 line-km airborne gravity and magnetic survey carried out by Sander Geophysics Limited on its properties near Paulatuk NT has been completed. The data from that survey and the Geotech VTEM surveys are now being processed and modeled. A report on the surveys with images and prioritized drill targets for both metals and kimberlite pipes will be posted on the Company’s website before the end of April 2010.

The Company is working with Kavik-Axys and Aurora Geosciences to complete its submission to the Inuvialuit Environmental Impact Screening Committee (EISC) for drilling and associated ground exploration activities on its properties. It will be completed in mid-April and considered at the EISC meeting in Inuvik, June 24, 2010. See www.screeningcommittee.ca for details on the process. Barring unforeseen delays, the Company plans to commence its drill program later in June 2010. The Company is currently tendering its drill contract and will announce the selected contractor when negotiations are concluded.

About Darnley Bay Resources Limited:

The Company was formed in 1993 to explore and develop an area of geophysical significance in the Northwest Territories of Canada. Initial base metal exploration fortuitously resulted in the discovery of diamonds, indicating that the area is host to both metallic and non-metallic mineral deposit interests. The Company’s objectives are to secure and maintain successful financing partnerships to continue exploration for base metals, gold and diamonds that will result in the development of a profitable mining venture.

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