Northern Shield Commences Drilling at Eastbank, northern Ontario

Ottawa (June 16, 2009) – Northern Shield Resources Inc. ("Northern Shield") (TSX-V: NRN) is pleased to announce that it has commenced a diamond drill program at its 100% owned Eastbank Property in the James Bay Lowlands of northern Ontario. The 1,200 metre program is designed to confirm management's interpretation that the 750 square kilometer property is underlain by the ultramafic portion (Critical Zone) of the Highbank Lake Intrusive Complex that extends eastward from the Highbank property. A magnetic trend, that can be traced on airborne geophysics for 80-100 kilometers and, may represent the ultramafic layers, will be the main focus of the drilling. PGE reefs are generally contained within, or just above, the ultramafic portion of layered intrusive complexes.

The Highbank Lake and Eastbank properties are being explored for reef-type PGE mineralization and are located up-ice from till samples where grains of nickel, copper and platinum minerals as well as numerous boulders of chromitite have been previously discovered by Northern Shield.

The drill project will be supervised by Christine Vaillancourt, Northern Shield's Chief Geologist, who is a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101.

Northern Shield is an innovative, results-driven Canadian company focused on Platinum Group Element (PGE) exploration in Ontario. Its mission is to create a successful mineral exploration company through technical excellence and efficient management, where success is measured by the identification and development of high-quality mineral exploration projects, which may ultimately be optioned, sold or developed for maximum return on investment. For further information on Northern Shield and its properties, please visit our website at www.northern-shield.com or contact:

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