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5N Plus Wins Prestigious Investor Relations Award

Best Investor Relations by a CEO – Small Cap

Montreal, Québec, February 3, 2012 – 5N Plus Inc. (TSX: VNP), a leading global producer of specialty metal and chemical products, announced today that its President and CEO, Jacques L'Ecuyer, took the top prize in *IR Magazine Canada's* awards program in the category "Best Investor Relations by a CEO – Small Cap".

This annual awards event, which began in 1998, recognizes Canadian investor relations that set the standard for shareholder communications across the country. *IR magazine's* research arm, Xblnsight, works with third-party research houses to identify the winners through worldwide investor perception studies, particularly those relating to the effectiveness with which companies respond to investor preoccupations.

Jacques L'Ecuyer, President and CEO, following his acceptance of this prestigious award, said, "We are proud of this recognition as we have always strived to meet the demanding requirements of our investor and analyst base. As a fast growing company in the fast growing clean technology sector, our relationships with those who follow and invest in our company are, of course, crucial to our success."

Winners announced on February 1, 2012 in Toronto include leading enterprises from across the spectrum of the Canadian economy. A full list can be found at: www.insideinvestorrelations.com

About 5N Plus Inc.

5N Plus is the leading producer of specialty metal and chemical products. Fully integrated with closed-loop recycling facilities, the company is headquartered in Montreal, Québec, Canada and operates manufacturing facilities and sales offices in several locations in Europe, North America, South America and Asia. 5N Plus deploys a range of proprietary and proven technologies to produce products which are used in a number of advanced pharmaceutical, electronic and industrial applications. Typical products include purified metals such as bismuth, gallium, germanium, indium, selenium and tellurium, inorganic chemicals based on such metals and compound semiconductor wafers. Many of these are critical precursors and key enablers in markets such as solar, light-emitting diodes and eco-friendly materials.

5N Plus is currently ranked on the Deloitte Technology Fast 50™, Deloitte Technology Green15™ and the Technology Fast 500™, Deloitte's ranking of 500 of the fastest growing technology, media, telecommunications, life sciences and clean technology companies in North America. The Company is also on the Corporate Knights Cleantech 10 list featuring Canada's ten best publicly-held companies in the cleantech technology.

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