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NEW GUINEA GOLD COMPLETES FIRST TRANCHE OF \$3 MILLION DEBENTURE ISSUE

Vancouver, B.C. December 22, 2008 New Guinea Gold Corporation - NGG ("the Company") is pleased to report that the first tranche of a Debenture Offering (the "Offering") previously announced on November 28, 2008 has been completed. Bolder Investment Partners, Ltd. ("Bolder" or "The Agent") is acting as Agent for the Offering, of up to \$3,000,000 of Debentures. The first tranche consists of \$2,438,000 of Debentures, maturing April 30, 2010, bearing interest at base rate of 10% per annum payable semi-annually and subject to certain other terms including possible bonus interest at maturity and default remedies. In addition, to the stated interest rate, in the event that the average price of gold, based on the London Gold Fix during the term of the Debenture exceeds US\$800/oz, the Company shall on the maturity date, pay to each holder of Debentures a bonus payment equal to 3% of the principal amount of the Debenture. In the event that the average price of gold based on the London Gold Fix during the term of the Debenture exceeds US\$1000/oz, the Company shall, on the maturity date, pay to each holder of Debentures a bonus payment equal to 5% of the principal amount of the Debenture. At maturity Debentures will be repaid in cash, unless between 30 and five days before maturity Debenture holders have made a written election to have the principal amount of their Debentures converted into shares at a price of C\$0.20 per share.

The Debentures were placed using accredited investor prospectus exemptions in Canadian provinces and in certain offshore jurisdictions. The balance of the Offering is expected to close in January 2009.

The Agent's compensation for acting as agent to the first tranche is a cash commission equal to 9% of the gross proceeds of the Offering, 1,462,800 warrants (the "Agent's Warrants") and a work fee of \$7,500 plus GST. Each Agent's Warrant will be exercisable into one (1) common share of the Issuer at \$0.20 for a period of two years from the date of the closing of the Offering.

The Debenture financing is subject to the acceptance of the TSX Venture Exchange and compliance with applicable securities laws.

"This financing is a prudent measure to secure growth of gold production at the Sinivit mine and strengthen New Guinea Gold's financial Position." said Chairman and CEO Bob McNeil.

Investors are cautioned that the development of Sinivit is proceeding in the absence of a full feasibility study. These evaluations are preliminary in nature and are based entirely on indicated mineral resources, which have not been categorized as mineral reserves. There is no assurance that the operating and financial projections in the preliminary assessment will be realized. Mineral resources that are not reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Measured and indicated mineral resources are that part of a mineral resource of which quantity and grade can be estimated with a level of confidence sufficient to allow the application of technical and economic parameters to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

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The TSX Venture Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept the responsibility of the adequacy of this release.