



FIRST URANIUM CORPORATION

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**FIRST URANIUM CORPORATION ANNOUNCES \$106,750,000
BOUGHT DEAL EQUITY FINANCING**

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Toronto and Johannesburg – First Uranium Corporation (TSX:FIU, JSE:FUM) (ISIN:CA33744R1029) (“First Uranium” or “the Company”) announced today that it has entered into a bought deal financing agreement with a syndicate of underwriters led by Scotia Capital Inc. and including Macquarie Capital Markets Canada Ltd., RBC Capital Markets, National Bank Financial Inc. and Raymond James Ltd. (collectively the “Underwriters”). Under the agreement, the Underwriters will purchase 15,250,000 common shares of First Uranium at a price of \$7.00 per share for gross proceeds of \$106,750,000 (the “Offering”).

First Uranium has granted to the Underwriters an over-allotment option, exercisable for a period of 30 days from the closing of the Offering, to purchase up to an additional 2,287,500 of the Company’s common shares on the same terms as set out above solely to cover over-allotments, if any, and for market stabilization purposes.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering:

- to accelerate the construction of the pressure leach portion of the uranium circuit at the Mine Waste Solutions tailings recovery operation to more quickly realize higher uranium and gold recoveries;
- for potential consolidation opportunities; and
- for general corporate purposes.

The Offering is expected to close on or about June 1, 2009 and is subject to certain conditions including the receipt of all necessary approvals, including the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Shares will be offered in all provinces of Canada except Quebec by way of a short form prospectus and such other jurisdictions outside of Canada pursuant to applicable private placement exemptions.

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About First Uranium Corporation

First Uranium Corporation (TSX:FIU, JSE:FUM) is focused on the development of its South African uranium and gold mines with the goal of becoming a significant low-cost producer through the re-opening and underground development of the Ezulwini Mine and the expansion of the Mine Waste Solutions tailings recovery operation. First Uranium also plans to grow production by pursuing value-enhancing acquisition and joint venture opportunities in South Africa and elsewhere.

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