

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2013



A message from the Minister:

The Manitoba Geological Survey's mandate of providing high-quality geoscience data serves to inform decision makers on sustainable land-use and development of Manitoba's mineral resources. Central to achieving this objective is the *Report of Activities* – a vital geological document and scientific synopsis, released annually at the Manitoba Mining and Minerals Convention. Each year, this much-anticipated report delivers a comprehensive overview showcasing the very latest geoscience data and information about our province's diverse and rich geology.

Compiled and generated by the Manitoba Geological Survey, the report underscores the significant economic opportunity represented by our mineral exploration and mining industry. In order to build the future, realize our mineral potential, and maintain momentum, the exploration and mining industry requires robust and high-quality geoscience information and expertise.

This year's *Report of Activities* presents valuable new insights into the province's diverse geology presented by experts in Manitoba's geological bounty. The information contained in the report is critical to foster economic development opportunities and will assist communities in land-use planning and resource assessments.

To ensure that key information on Manitoba's geology is available to everyone, the *Report of Activities* is available

on our website as a 'free download'. Hard copies may be purchased through our Publication Sales. Delegates attending the 2013 convention receive a complimentary print or CD copy of the report.

Manitoba's commitment to the minerals sector is demonstrated by the recent creation of the department of Mineral Resources, a department dedicated to advancing investment and development of the province's mineral resources. The new department continues to support mineral exploration and development through exciting initiatives like the Manitoba Geoscience Advantage Program, providing \$400,000 toward the significant work of enhancing our geoscience knowledge-base. We continue to advance our commitment to enhance online accessibility and delivery of the most up-to-date geoscientific and mineral tenure information. I invite you to visit the new *GIS Map Gallery* and *Manitoba Rocks!*, our latest online tools.

Discover the tremendous assets our province has to offer. There is always *more* to explore in Manitoba! It is indeed a privilege to present the *Report of Activities 2013*.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dave Chomiak". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Honourable Dave Chomiak
Minister of Mineral Resources