



**NXT ANNOUNCES GRANTING OF  
INCENTIVE STOCK OPTIONS**

CALGARY, ALBERTA, July 8, 2013 - NXT Energy Solutions Inc. ("NXT" or the "Company") (TSX-V:SFD; OTC:NSFDF) advises that it has granted a total of 52,500 incentive stock options ("options") to members of its Board of Directors.

These options are part of the total compensation payable to the NXT Board of Directors for the six month period ended June 30, 2013 and are granted in accordance with the terms of NXT's Stock Option Plan. The options shall have an exercise price of \$0.86 per share, a five year term to expiry on July 5, 2018, and entitlement to exercise the options shall vest one third at the end of each year over a three year period from the date of grant.

*NXT is a Calgary based company whose proprietary airborne SFD® survey system provides a survey method that can be used both onshore and offshore to remotely identify areas with exploration potential for traps and reservoirs. The SFD® survey system enables our clients to focus their hydrocarbon exploration decisions concerning land commitments, data acquisition expenditures and prospect prioritization on areas with the greatest potential. SFD® is environmentally friendly and unaffected by ground security issues or difficult terrain, and is the registered trademark of NXT. NXT provides its clients with an effective and reliable method to reduce time, costs, and risks related to exploration.*

*Forward-Looking Statements:*

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