

ZENN MOTOR COMPANY ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF NEW CFO

TORONTO, ONTARIO August 31, 2011 -- ZENN Motor Company Inc. ("ZMC" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: ZNN) is pleased to announce the appointment of Natasha Vandesluis as Interim Chief Financial Officer. Ms. Vandesluis has been with ZENN as a member of the Finance team since 2007. In recognition of her added responsibilities the Board has granted Ms. Vandesluis an additional 15,000 options at an exercise price to be fixed at the time of grant in accordance with the Company's stock option plan and which will expire in five years.

As previously announced after the Company's strategic review and the refocusing of the business, Mr. Larry Goldberg agreed to transition out of his role as Chief Financial Officer over a two month period.

Mr. Goldberg joined ZENN Motor Company in August 2010, with more than 25 years of financial leadership experience in both public and private companies. James Kofman, Chairman and Interim Chief Executive Officer of ZENN commented, "Mr. Goldberg has brought invaluable knowledge and expertise to ZENN. We appreciate his hard work in ensuring an orderly transition of the role to Ms. Vandesluis."

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About ZENN Motor Company Inc.

ZENN Motor Company, Toronto, Canada, is dedicated to enabling emission-free, energy-efficient transportation through its partnership with EESStor Inc.

ZENNergy™ technologies and solutions, powered by EESStor's electrical energy storage units (EESU) have the potential to enable OEM and Tier 1 partners to deliver advanced electric transportation solutions to their customers. The Company has a Technology Agreement with EESStor that provides certain exclusive and non-exclusive rights to purchase and deploy EESStor's EESU technology, which rights are detailed in the Company's AIF.

Forward-looking Statements

Certain statements in this release, other than statements of historical fact, may include forward-looking information that involves various risks and uncertainties that face the Company; such statements may contain such words as "may", "would", "could", "will", "intend", "plan", "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "expect" and similar expressions, and may be based on management's current assumptions and expectations related to all aspects of the automotive industry, consumer demand for zero emission transportation solutions and the global economy. Risks and uncertainties that may face the Company include, but are not restricted to: the EESStor energy storage technology may not be successfully commercialized at all, in a manner providing the features and benefits expected while under development, or on a timely basis or the Company may not be able to successfully incorporate this technology into its current or proposed products; the Company could fail in its efforts to develop viable ZENNergy™ technologies and solutions or do so on a timely basis; steps taken by the Company to protect its proprietary rights may not be adequate or third parties may infringe or misappropriate the Company's

proprietary rights; the Company has a history of losses from operations and may not be able to obtain financing, if and when required, to fund future expenditures for general administrative activities, including sales and marketing and research and development, expansion, strategic acquisitions or investment opportunities or to respond to competitive pressures; competitors may develop products which offer greater benefits to consumers, have greater market appeal or are more competitively priced than those offered by the Company; the Company may be exposed to product liability claims which exceed insurance policy limits; the Company is dependent on the ability and experience of a relatively small number of key personnel; new products introduced by the Company may not be accepted in the market or to the extent projected; new laws and regulations may be enacted or existing ones may be applied or governmental action may be taken in a manner which could limit or curtail the production or sale of the Company's products; and the Company may be negatively affected by reduced consumer spending due to the uncertainty of economic and geopolitical conditions. These risks and uncertainties may cause actual results to differ from information contained in this release, when estimates and assumptions have been used to measure and report results. There can be no assurance that any statements of forward-looking information contained in this release will prove to be accurate. Actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements.

These and all subsequent written and oral statements containing forward-looking information are based on the estimates and opinions of management on the dates they are made and expressly qualified in their entirety by this notice. Except as required by applicable laws, the Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements should circumstances or management's estimates or opinions change. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any statements of forward looking information that speak only as of the date of this release. Additional information identifying risks and uncertainties relating to the Company's business are contained under the heading "Risk Factors" in ZMC's current Annual Information Form and its other filings with the various Canadian securities regulators which are available online at www.sedar.com.

Information contained in this release relating to EEStor, Inc. or the energy storage technology being developed by EEStor has not been reviewed by EEStor and EEStor does not assume any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of such information.

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