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## First Cobalt Corporate Update

TORONTO, ON — (January 16, 2019) – First Cobalt Corp. (TSX-V: FCC; ASX: FCC; OTCQX: FTSSF) (the "Company") announces the appointment of independent director Jeff Swinoga to a new position as Partner and Canadian Mining and Metals Sector Leader for EY, a member firm of Ernst & Young Global Limited and a global leader in assurance, tax, transaction and advisory services. Mr. Swinoga has been invaluable to First Cobalt and will continue to act in an advisory capacity to the Company, however this new role requires his resignation from the Company's board of directors. The Company thanks him for his invaluable contributions.

### About First Cobalt

First Cobalt is a North American pure-play cobalt company whose flagship asset is the Iron Creek Cobalt Project in Idaho, USA, which has Inferred mineral resources of 26.9 million tonnes grading 0.11% cobalt equivalent. The Company also owns the only permitted cobalt refinery in North America and 50 past-producing mines in the Canadian Cobalt Camp.

On behalf of First Cobalt Corp.

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