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CREATING A NORTH AMERICAN COBALT SUPPLY CHAIN

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See Appendix for additional Notes To Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate.

CORPORATE OVERVIEW WHO IS FIRST COBALT?

First Cobalt's vision is to build an ethical North American cobalt supply chain for the American market

FIRST COBALT REFINERY (ONTARIO, CANADA) Proven flowsheet for cobalt sulfate production • Near-term production potential Targeting H1'19 for feed selection Potential for 18-24 month restart timeline Only primary cobalt refinery in North America **IRON CREEK PROJECT (IDAHO, USA)** Primary Cobalt Deposit on private property in Idaho, • USA Outstanding cobalt project outside Africa with Inferred Resource estimate of 26.9Mt of 0.11% CoEq* Updated mineral resource estimate expected late Q1'19 • No arsenic means simpler processing & permitting



CORPORATE OVERVIEW MANAGEMENT & BOARD





BATTERY MARKET Statistics

BATTERY MARKET GLOBAL BATTERY MANUFACTURING CAPACITY

- As EV demand grows, the US will become the second largest producer of batteries in the world.
 - By 2021, refined cobalt supply may not meet demand



BATTERY MARKET CHINA LEADS REFINED SUPPLY

The US currently has no domestic supply of cobalt



Projected growth to hit **80**% of global production of Li-ion batteries that use Co

BATTERY MARKET DRC LEADS COBALT PRODUCTION

2017 Global Co Production

OTHERS	
	DRC 66%

Expected to reach 72% by 2021

2017 Production (t)	Market Share	Company	Project	Location	Primary Metal	Co Grade
23,900	22%	Glencore	Mutanda	DRC	Copper	0.41%
16,419	15%	СМОС	Tenke Fungurume	DRC	Copper	0.28%
6,210*	6%	ERG	Boss	DRC	Cobalt	0.20%
4,638	4%	Jinchuan Group	Ruashi	DRC	Copper	0.30%
3,601	3%	Sheritt	Moa Bay	Cuba	Nickel	0.12%
3,308	3%	MCC	Ramu	PNG	Nickel	0.10%
2,081*	2%	Managem	Bou-Azzer	Morocco	Cobalt	1.00%
1,829	2%	Vale	Voisey's Bay	Canada	Nickel - Copper	0.13%
-	-	Katanga Mining	Kamoto	DRC	Copper	0.50%

*2016 production; Source: Company Reports

Near Term FIRST COBALT REFINERY

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FIRST COBALT REFINERY PERMITTED REFINERY IN CANADA



- Hydrometallurgical cobalt refinery located in Ontario, Canada
 - Commissioned in 1996 and on care and maintenance since 2015
- The only fully permitted primary cobalt refinery in North America
 - \$100M replacement value (Hatch)
 - Permits and infrastructure support a fast-track to production
- Accessible by rail from North American ports and approximately 7 hours to Detroit by paved road
- Large footprint for future expansion

FIRST COBALT REFINERY ABILITY TO PROCESS HYDROXIDE

- Permitted to treat arsenic-rich North American concentrate with hydrometallurgical autoclave
- Cobalt hydroxide would increase cobalt production
- Could produce cobalt sulfate or metallic cobalt products for sale into the North American market
- At 24 tpd and using the current flowsheet,
 - Capex: US\$25.7M (incl. 30% contingency)
 - Opex: US\$6.7M /annum
- Near term cash flow potential, could be in production within 18-24 months of selecting feedstock



FIRST COBALT REFINERY PRODUCTION PROFILE

- Desktop study by Perth-based Primero Group has a margin of error or +50/-30%
 - Market study by CRU and permitting review by Story Environmental
 - Retained original flowsheet to estimate production potential under each scenario
 - Flowsheet includes use of existing autoclave circuit,
- Cobalt hydroxide would not require autoclave circuit, allowing for potential increase in plant output, additional capex of US\$2.5M for sulfate crystallization circuit

			24 TPD	24 TPD
			Concentrate	Hydroxide
Total Cost with 30% Contingency		US\$M	24	24
Feed Processed		Tonnes	8,760	8,760
Head Grades	Со	%	15	30
	Ni	%	10.5	-
Availability		%	90	90
Recoveries	Со	%	90	90
	Ni	%	90	-
Mass of Metal Recovered	Со	Tonnes	1,064	2,129
	Ni	Tonnes	745	-

The cobalt hydroxide scenario has been modelled by swapping out concentrate for hydroxide on a tonne-for-tonne basis. The company has not completed any detailed engineering studies at this time.

FIRST COBALT REFINERY PROVEN FLOWSHEET FOR COBALT SULFATE

- Battery grade cobalt sulfate successfully produced using cobalt extraction and sulfate crystallization
- 20.8% cobalt in product, meeting battery grade standard
- 99.96% purity, solvent extraction processes successfully removed deleterious elements, many to below detection limits
 - Single process, batch test offers ample opportunity to increase product specs to meet offtake requirements
- Detailed engineering studies to commence to optimize flowsheet and refinery refurbishment design



Development IRON CREEK

IRON CREEK PROJECT

Largest Unmined Co Resources in U.S.

- District has primary cobalt deposits
- Belt includes former producing Blackbird Mine (1902-1968)
- District cobalt potential extending over 60 km in strike length
- Idaho has a long mining history, including silver and phosphate

Iron Creek Project

- Located in central Idaho ~42 km from the town of Salmon
- 7 mining patents surrounded by 83 claims covering 1,700 acres
- First Cobalt Activity
 - 28,700 metres drilled (2017-18)
 - Maiden resource estimate (Sept. 2018)





IRON CREEK PROJECT 2018 MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE

Maiden 43-101 Inferred Resource estimate (Sept. '18) targeting approx. half of known strike and dip extent

Cutoff	Mining	Tonnes	CoEq	Cobalt	Cobalt	Copper	Copper
% CoEq [*]	Scenario	(000s)	(%)	(%)	(Mlbs)	(%)	(Mlbs)
0.03/0.18*	Pit & UG	26,880	0.11	0.08	45.4	0.30	175.4
0.18*	UG only	4,407	0.30	0.23	22.3	0.68	66.7

Open Pit and Underground Scenario



CoEq cutoffs for open pit (0.03%, blue) and underground (0.18%, red). Grey outline shows optimized pit outline.

Underground Only Scenario



0.18% CoEq cutoff for an underground-only scenario.

*See Notes To Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate on Company's website

IRON CREEK PROJECT DEPOSIT CONTINUES TO GROW

- Higher grade cobalt and copper zones to the east and west respectively remain open along strike and down-dip
- Footwall and hangingwall intercepts (not shown) suggest potential for new mineralized zones
- Resource remains open in all directions
- True widths between 10m and 30m with mineralization occurring between the two zones as 1m to 5m pods



 Drilling continues to extend strike and dip extent

Resource area plus additional mineralized areas (yellow) identified by recent drilling

CORPORATE SUMMARY NORTH AMERICAN COBALT

- Near-term cash flow potential from refinery in 18-24 months
- Upside potential from future development of US primary cobalt asset
- **1.** Cobalt production from Canadian refinery
 - Proven capable of producing battery grade cobalt sulfate
 - Would be the first North American cobalt refinery
 - Targeting 2,000 tonnes Co/year with the ability to expand production
- 2. Growing primary cobalt deposit in Idaho Cobalt Belt
 - Resource update from 14,000m completed drill program
 - No arsenic means simpler processing & permitting
 - Mining-friendly jurisdiction and support from Washington



APPENDIX



HISTORIC CANADIAN COBALT CAMP

45%-controlled by FCC, including 50 past producing mines

+31,000m drilled in 2018 testing 15 different targets

Drilling to date in Kerr Area indicates a network of several

closed-spaced veins in various orientations

Intersection widths reflect the potential for bulk mining methods in this area, more follow-up is required

- Kerr Area
 Borden Lake
 Drummond
 Silverfields
- 5 Santa Maria
- 6 Conisil

- ⑦ Silver Banner⑧ Ophir
- 9 Caswell
- 10 Bellellen
- (1) Frontier
- 12 Keeley

*Former Town

CANADIAN COBALT CAMP FUTURE OPPORTUNITY

- 2018 drilling program of +30,000 metres tested 12 different target areas
- Near surface drill results support the potential for open pit mining:
 - 6.5m at 0.33% Co and 133 g/t Ag
 - 4.3m at 0.37% Co and 686 g/t Ag
 - 10.4m at 0.15% Co and 44 g/t Ag
 - 10.7m at 0.14% Co and 65 g/t Ag
 - 3.5m at 0.20% Co and 1050 g/t Ag
- New structural model based on success at Kerr Lake area has revealed three areas with similar geological and structural settings
 - Cu, Zn, Pb in carbonate veins exposed at surface at New Lake and Chukuni
 - Huronian sediments interpreted below Diabase at Schumann
- Exploring potential to partner on exploration projects in the Cobalt Camp

Muckpile Material in Cobalt Camp



2018 Drill Program, Completed



LOWER COBALT CONTENT OFFSET BY EV GROWTH

Cobalt Demand From Batteries vs Avg. Cobalt Density 2015-2026



Source: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence

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REDUCE COBALT, REDUCE THERMAL STABILITY

Lower Cobalt = Reduced Thermal Stability



Evolution of NCM Batteries

Source: BMO Capital Markets

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NOTES TO INFERRED MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE

Cautionary Note to Investors - Resource Estimates

In accordance with applicable Canadian securities regulatory requirements, all mineral resource estimates of the Company disclosed or incorporated by reference in this news release have been prepared in accordance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 - Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101"), classified in accordance with Canadian Institute of Mining Metallurgy and Petroleum's "CIM Standards on Mineral Resources and Reserves Definitions and Guidelines" (the "CIM Guidelines").

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Notes to Mineral Resource Tables:

- (1) See company announcement September 26, 2018.
- (2) Cobalt equivalent is calculated as %CoEq = %Co + (%Cu/10) based on US\$30/lb Co and US\$3/lb Cu. No metallurgical recoveries were applied to either metal because it is expected that the metallurgical recoveries will be similar for both metals.
- (3) All classified resource blocks located between the surface and the open pit shell with grades greater than 0.03% CoEq were included in the reported mineral resources and resource blocks located below the pit-confining surface and with grades greater than 0.18% CoEq were included in the reported underground mineral resources.
- (4) For the underground-only scenario, a 0.18% CoEq cutoff grade was used for estimating the potential underground material in the reported mineral resources.
- (5) The cutoff grade utilized in the above table was derived from US\$30/Ib Co and US\$3/Ib Cu.

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