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JONATHAN LAPOINTE APPOINTED TO SOCIÉTÉ DE DÉVELOPPEMENT DE LA BAIE-JAMES (SDBJ) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Matagami, July 8, 2020 – The Québec cabinet appointed Mr. Jonathan Lapointe to the SDBJ Board of Directors on June 10, 2020.

Mr. Lapointe graduated from Université Laval with a Bachelor of Science degree in Metallurgy and Materials in 2003 and has been a member of the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec since 2006.

He began his career in the mining industry in 2003 as a process control and production metallurgist for the Inmet Mining Corporation. He then held the position of Chief Metallurgist and Concentrator Superintendent at Campbell Resources Inc. from 2006 to 2009. As a parallel venture in 2007, he founded Metchib Metallurgical Services Inc., a company specializing in laboratory mineral processing and metallurgical demonstration plant installations, where emphasis is placed on research and development with a view to creating new business opportunities in the region. In 2015, Mr. Lapointe became Founder and Vice-President of Business Development at Minopro Inc., as well as Founder and Vice-President of Training and Operations for Minopro-Cree Resources Inc.

“I am pleased to congratulate Mr. Lapointe on his appointment to the Board of Directors of the Société de développement de la Baie-James. Given his vast experience and in-depth knowledge of the Baie-James region, he will undoubtedly be a valuable asset to SDBJ and its mission. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all the Board members, who make it possible for SDBJ to continue playing a key role in the economic and strategic development of the Baie-James region.”

Jonatan Julien, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources and Minister Responsible for the Côte-Nord Region

“Mr. Lapointe stands out for his business profile and his strong dedication to making a difference in terms of his region’s social, economic and environmental development. His desire to get involved and his innovative vision will make him a welcome addition to the Board of Directors. We are confident that as a member of the Board, Mr. Lapointe will make a significant contribution to SDBJ’s continued success.”

Gaston Bédard, Chairman of the SDBJ Board of Directors

“As he was born and raised in the town of Chibougamau, Mr. Lapointe has an in-depth understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the Baie-James region. His role in starting up a company to train and hire out qualified labour in partnership with the Crees clearly shows that Mr. Lapointe shares SDBJ’s values, including the importance of working in cooperation with the Baie-James region’s Indigenous communities. We are pleased to welcome him as a member of our Board of Directors and wish to assure him that the entire SDBJ management team will be on hand to assist him in carrying out his mandate.”

Alain Coulombe, President and Chief Executive Officer, SDBJ

About SDBJ

The SDBJ, which has been in existence for over 45 years, was created under the James Bay Region Development Act adopted by Québec National Assembly in 1971. Its mission is to promote, from a sustainable development perspective, the economic development, improvement and exploitation of natural resources other than hydroelectric resources falling within Hydro-Québec’s mandate in the Baie-James territory. The SDBJ can also foster, support and participate in the implementation of projects having these objectives.

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