

TORONTO, April 6, 2016 /CNW/ - [Kennedy Diamonds Inc.](#) ("Kennedy Diamonds", the "Company") (TSX-V: KDI) is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Rory Moore to the positions of president, CEO and director of Kennedy Diamonds with effect from May 1, 2016. Dr. Moore will succeed Patrick Evans who has been president and CEO since the Company's incorporation in 2012.

Jonathan Comerford, chairman of Kennedy Diamonds, commented: "Over the past six months the Company has advanced the governance separation of Kennedy Diamonds from its former parent Mountain Province Diamonds with the appointment of two new independent directors. The appointment of a new president and CEO who is independent of Mountain Province is the next key step in this process."

Dr. Moore brings more than 30 years of diamond experience to Kennedy Diamonds having held a number of positions in the industry, including as CEO of the Mineral Services Group of Companies, president and CEO of Canabrava Diamond Corp. and manager of diamond exploration for BHP Minerals. Dr. Moore has a Ph.D. in Geochemistry from the University of Cape Town and is a registered professional geoscientist in the Province of British Columbia.

Mr. Comerford added: "In welcoming Dr. Moore to Kennedy Diamonds we also extend our thanks and appreciation to Patrick Evans for his leadership of the Company over the past four years. At a time when most believed that the Kennedy North project had few prospects, Patrick assembled a team to resume exploration at Kennedy which has resulted in the discovery of four kimberlite pipes within the Kelvin – Faraday corridor. The methodical advancement of the project has brought Kennedy to an advanced stage now requiring the time and attention of a dedicated CEO. We wish Patrick the very best as he continues as president and CEO of Mountain Province Diamonds."

Kennedy Diamonds has awarded Dr. Moore stock options to purchase up to 200,000 common shares of its capital stock at a price of \$3.30 per share, exercisable for a period of ten years.

About Kennedy Diamonds

[Kennedy Diamonds Inc.](#) controls 100 percent of the Kennedy North diamond project located in Canada's Northwest Territories immediately adjacent to the Gahcho Kué diamond mine currently under development by De Beers and Mountain Province Diamonds (T:MPV, NASDAQ:MDM).

Kennedy Diamonds aims to identify a resource along the Kelvin – Faraday kimberlite corridor of between 13 million and 16 million tonnes at a grade of between 2 and 2.5 carats per tonne and also to identify new kimberlites outside of the corridor. The Kelvin – Faraday corridor is a target for further exploration. The tonnage estimate is based on the drilling completed to date. The potential quantity is conceptual in nature as there has been insufficient drilling to define a mineral resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the target being delineated as a mineral resource.

Qualified Person

This news release has been prepared under the supervision of Dr. Tom McCandless, P.Geo., who serves as the qualified person under National Instrument 43-101.

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