

# M2 Cobalt and Jervois Mining to Create Global Industry Leader as Jervois Announces Additional Combination with eCobalt

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- Friendly at-market combination of Jervois and eCobalt to follow merger of M2 and Jervois
- Results in enlarged group with greater scale, liquidity and diversification and significant re-rating potential
- Pro forma cash and cash equivalents of group of approximately A\$16.5 million (C\$15.7 million)
- Australian, East African and United States project pipeline that now includes the Idaho Cobalt Project, the highest combination of cobalt grade and scale in North America

Vancouver, April 1, 2019 - [M2 Cobalt Corp.](#) (TSXV: MC) ("M2 Cobalt") is pleased to announce its full support of the merger of [Jervois Mining Ltd.](#) (ASX: JRV) ("Jervois") and [eCobalt Solutions Inc.](#) (TSX: ECS) ("eCobalt"). Jervois and eCobalt have reached an agreement in which they will combine in an at-market transaction to be completed by way of plan of arrangement under the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia). The combination will involve the acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding common shares of eCobalt and will not impact the timing of the previously announced merger of M2 Cobalt and Jervois. The merger of M2 Cobalt and Jervois is not conditional upon completion of the transaction with eCobalt, and M2 Cobalt and Jervois are continuing to combine their respective operations on the previously announced terms.

The combined group will create an industry leader, with a diverse portfolio of development and exploration stage assets in Australia, East Africa and the United States. The management and board of directors of M2 Cobalt has expressed its full support of the proposed combination of eCobalt and Jervois.

Simon Clarke, Chief Executive Officer of M2 Cobalt, noted: "We are fully supportive of Jervois undertaking a transaction with eCobalt, and look forward to securing eCobalt's high-grade Idaho Cobalt Project for the combined group. Our transaction with Jervois is well advanced, and we do not expect the transaction with eCobalt to impact our timeline or the process of integrating our operations with Jervois. The combination with eCobalt advances our combined goal of building the pre-eminent, mid-tier, multi-jurisdictional battery materials supplier and secures one of the highest quality cobalt deposits globally."

For further information regarding the merger of Jervois and eCobalt, readers are encouraged to review the joint release issued by both companies as of the date of this release available on eCobalt's SEDAR profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). Further information regarding the merger of Jervois and M2 Cobalt is available in the joint news release of Jervois and M2 Cobalt, issued on January 22, 2019 [<https://www.m2cobalt.com/news/2019/169-m2-cobalt-and-jervois-mining-to-merge-to-create-industry-leader>].

Completion of the mergers between M2 Cobalt and Jervois, and eCobalt and Jervois, remains subject to customary closing conditions, including the receipt of any required regulatory, court and stock exchange approvals, the approval of the shareholders of each of M2 Cobalt, eCobalt and Jervois (in respect to the combination with eCobalt), and Jervois being conditionally accepted for listing on the TSX Venture Exchange.

## Competent Person's Statement

The information in this release that relates to development of the Nico-Young deposit is based on information compiled by David Selfe who is a full time employee of Jervois and a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. David Selfe has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which Jervois is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. David Selfe consents to the inclusion in this release of matters pertaining to the Nico-Young deposit based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

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**About Jervois**

Jervois has been listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) under the ticker JRV for more than 50 years. In late 2017, Jervois completed a board and management transformation, with a new focus on the growing battery metals market. Jervois' core project is the 100%-owned Nico Young nickel-cobalt laterite deposit in New South Wales, Australia.

Jervois is focused on moving its Nico Young Cobalt-Nickel Project towards production with the company close to finalising an economic study based on a JORC compliant Inferred Mineral Resource of 167.8 Mt @ 0.59% Ni and 0.06% Co (CIM equivalent). Further information on Jervois and the Nico Young deposit can be found at [www.jervoismining.com.au](http://www.jervoismining.com.au).

**About eCobalt**

eCobalt is an advanced-stage development company with near-term primary cobalt production. Its Idaho Cobalt Project is located in the historic Idaho Cobalt Belt, near the town of Salmon in east-central Idaho. Further information on eCobalt and its projects can be found at [www.ecobalt.com](http://www.ecobalt.com).

**About M2 Cobalt**

M2 Cobalt is focused on discovering and developing world-class cobalt assets (and related minerals) to help address the growing deficit in the supply of cobalt. M2 Cobalt has a large, highly prospective land package in the Republic of Uganda, East Africa bordering historic production and on the same mineral trends as some of the major mines in the neighbouring DRC where over 60% of world cobalt supply originates. Uganda is a stable country with a growing economy looking to re-energize its historic mining industry. Further information on M2 Cobalt and its projects can be found at [www.m2cobalt.com](http://www.m2cobalt.com).

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