

First Canadian Graphite Inc. Retains ethos strategie to Support Strategic Positioning In Quebec

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[First Canadian Graphite Inc.](#) (TSX.V: FCI | OTC: GBMIF) ("First Canadian" or the "Company"), a dynamic junior mining company focused on advancing high-grade graphite projects in Quebec to meet the growing demand for onshore sourced critical minerals, is pleased to announce that it has retained ethos stratégie, a Québec-based strategic advisory firm specializing in ESG integration, stakeholder engagement and sustainable mining development.

Through this mandate, ethos stratégie will support the responsible development of First Canadian Graphite by strengthening its understanding and integration of Québec's mining ecosystem, while advancing the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations across its activities and corporate strategy.

Québec is recognized globally as a leading jurisdiction for responsible mining development and plays a growing role in the supply chain for critical minerals, including graphite, which is essential for energy transition technologies.

"Building strong relationships and understanding the unique context of Québec's mining sector are essential elements for responsible project development," said John LaGourgue, CEO of First Canadian Graphite. "ethos stratégie brings valuable expertise in ESG strategy, stakeholder engagement and regional ecosystem integration. I am looking forward to working with ethos to maximize the integration of best-in-class ESG practices across our operations and strategy, ensuring long-term value creation for all stakeholders."

ABOUT ETHOS STRATEGIE

ethos stratégie is a Québec-based strategic advisory firm headquartered in Rouyn-Noranda, specializing in ESG strategy, stakeholder engagement and sustainable development for the mining sector. The firm supports mining companies throughout the project life cycle, helping them navigate environmental, social and governance (ESG) challenges while building strong partnerships with communities, governments and industry stakeholders to advance responsible and sustainable projects.

ABOUT FIRST CANADIAN GRAPHITE INC.

First Canadian Graphite Inc. is a strategic critical minerals exploration company focused on expanding and developing our high-grade graphite resource (you can't say deposit) , a mineral essential for energy transition and advanced technology development.

Our flagship Berkwood graphite project is ideally positioned in a world class district near the western shore of Lac Tétépisca, Québec, Canada. Graphite mineralization has been exposed and sampled at surface across multiple locations where exploratory diamond drilling has defined a NI 43-101 compliant resource at Zone 1 of 1.76 million tonnes indicated at 17% Cg plus an additional 1.53 million tonnes inferred at 16.4% Cg. In addition to the resource at Zone 1, the property has multiple other anomalies with outcropping graphite sampled on them that host excellent exploration upside potential.

Additionally, in early 2026, the Company greatly expanded its land position now controlling 167 km², one of the largest claim holdings in the Tétépisca Graphite District. With substantial exploration upside remaining and over \$10 million invested to date, First Canadian Graphite is advancing resource expansion efforts and progressing toward a Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA). The Company is well funded to advance this

project further in 2026,

The Company has filed a NI 43-101 Technical Report, which includes a comprehensive Mineral Resource Estimate for the Lac Gueret South Graphite Property ("Berkwood"). This report was prepared by Tekhne Research Inc. The independent and qualified persons for the mineral resource estimate, as defined by NI 43-101, are Edward Lyons, PGeo. (Tekhne Resources Inc.), Florent Baril, ing (Bumigeme Inc.) and Claude Duplessis, ing (Goldminds Geoservices Inc.) Refer to the Company's website at www.firstcanadiagraphite.com for the complete NI 43-101 technical report with respect to references made herein, and email updates and news.

Pessamit Innu First Nation

First Canadian Graphite respectfully acknowledges that the Berkwood Project is located within the traditional territory of the Pessamit Innu First Nation. The Company is committed to fostering respectful, transparent, and collaborative relationships with local Indigenous communities throughout the development process.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements. These statements are based on assumptions and beliefs of management and involve risks and uncertainties, which may cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated.

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be able to develop any minerals because of cost factors, type of terrain, or availability of equipment and technology; and we may also not raise sufficient funds to carry out our plans. Additional risk factors are discussed in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the Company's Management Discussion and Analysis for its recently completed fiscal period, which is available under Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com. No assurance can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will occur or, if they do occur, what benefits the Company will obtain from them. These forward-looking statements reflect management's current views and are based on certain expectations, estimates and assumptions, which may prove to be incorrect. Except as required by law, we will not update these forward-looking statement risk factors. Neither TSX Venture Exchange nor its Regulation Services Provider (as that term is defined in the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange) accepts responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this News Release.

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