

**COGECO CONNEXION NAMED 2018 COMPANY OF THE YEAR BY  
WOMEN IN COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Montreal, March 8, 2018** — On this International Women's Day, Cogeco Connexion is proud to announce that it has been named Company of the Year for 2018 by the Canadian organization, Women in Communications and Technology. Each year, the prestigious award honours the Canadian company that has made the most significant contribution to industry practices in equity and diversity, creating a workplace that supports women's advancement.

"We are very proud to accept this honour," said **Liette Vigneault, Vice President, Human Resources and Communications at Cogeco Connexion**. "Cogeco is a conscientious company that recognizes that its success depends on the success of its female employees. Year after year, we make an effort to develop and implement initiatives based on our three-year plan for promoting and integrating employment equity and diversity. These initiatives include creating an environment and culture favourable to the professional success and progress of women as well as all employees at Cogeco," Ms. Vigneault added.

"I am very proud of this recognition of our tangible commitment to making Cogeco Connexion a diverse and inclusive organization," said **Ken Smithard, President of Cogeco Connexion**. "Diversity and equity are core principles with deep roots in our corporate culture. I am particularly proud of Cogeco Inc. and Cogeco Connexion's initiative to put together the Cogeco Women's Network, which spearheads initiatives that allow all of our female colleagues to develop their skills and enhance their career path, thus leading to significant contributions to Cogeco's growth."

The Company of the Year award will be officially presented at the Women in Communications and Technology's Annual Awards Gala on April 16, in Gatineau. Held each spring, the gala recognizes the exceptional contributions and achievements of women and men on matters of diversity, equity and the advancement of women in the communications and technology sectors.

**ABOUT COGECO CONNEXION**

Cogeco Connexion regroups the Canadian cable operations of Cogeco Communications Inc. Cogeco Connexion is the second largest cable operator in Ontario and Québec in terms of the number of basic cable service customers served. It provides its residential and small business customers with Internet, video and telephony services through its two-way broadband cable networks. Cogeco Communications Inc. is a communications corporation and is the 8th largest hybrid fibre coaxial cable operator in North America operating in Canada under the Cogeco Connexion brand name in Québec and Ontario, and in the United States through its subsidiary Atlantic Broadband in 11 states along the East Coast, from Maine to Florida. Through Cogeco Peer 1, Cogeco Communications Inc. provides its business customers with a suite of information technology services (colocation, network connectivity, hosting, cloud and managed services), through its 16 data centres, extensive FastFiber Network® and more than

50 points of presence in North America and Europe. Cogeco Communications Inc.'s subordinate voting shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: CCA).

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