

**COGECO CONNEXION, PROUD RECIPIENT  
OF THE BEST CANADIAN LEGAL DEPARTMENT AWARD AT THE  
INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ALLIANCE SUMMIT**

**Montréal, June 16, 2017** – Cogeco Connexion is honoured to have received the prestigious *Best Canadian Legal Department Award*, which was presented at today's International General Counsel Awards ceremony as part of the International Legal Alliance Summit & Awards in New York.

These annual awards recognize the world's Best Legal, Intellectual Property and Tax Departments based on their performance over time.

The winners are selected according to different studies, surveys, rankings and recommendations. They are determined by 12 specialized jury panels of General Counsels and previous laureates, who conduct a rigorous evaluation of candidates based on their experience and market knowledge. Former recipients include Packers Plus Energy Services, Fiera Capital and Manulife.

Under the skilled direction of attorney Caroline Dignard, Vice President, Legal Affairs and Chief Privacy Officer, the team of Cogeco Connexion's Legal Affairs has distinguished itself by its professionalism and commitment to doing whatever is required to better serve both its in-house and external clients.

"Teamwork and commitment to service are the values that drive our team. Every day, we strive to maintain strong ties with our in-house and external business partners, making them invaluable allies at the service of our internal and external clients. Over time, with the support of our higher management teams, we have adopted and implemented rigorous and enviable governance practices that have made it possible to shelter Cogeco from major risks," stated Caroline Dignard.

The International Legal Alliance Summit & Awards bring together more than 500 senior representatives from leading law firms as well as General Counsels from more than 40 countries to discuss, network, debate and reward the sector's key players.

Cogeco Connexion at a glance:

- Wholly-owned subsidiary of Cogeco Communications Inc.
- 2,550 employees

- Customer segments: consumer and business
- Offering: video, high-speed Internet, telephony, fibre-based data and voice transmission, and cloud-based applications for businesses
- 11,000 km of linear optical fibre between Windsor, Ontario and Gaspé, Québec
- Hybrid network: optical fibre and coaxial cable
- Fibre-optic network since 1990
- Internet download speeds provided: 120 megabits per second almost everywhere on the market footprint, and up to 1 gigabit per second in some cities in Quebec and Ontario
- Community television stations: COGECO TV (15 in Québec and 22 in Ontario, with close to 1,000 volunteers)

### **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 video, Internet and telephony services through its two-way broadband cable networks. Cogeco Communications Inc. is a communications corporation and is the 8<sup>th</sup> 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 western Pennsylvania, south Florida, Maryland/Delaware, South Carolina and eastern Connecticut. 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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