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Cogeco Communications Publishes Its Third Corporate Social Responsibility Report

Montréal, January 14, 2016 – Cogeco Communications Inc. (TSX: CCA) announced today the publication of its third Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) report (under its former name, Cogeco Cable Inc.). This report, issued once every two years, is produced according to international *Global Reporting Initiative* (GRI) guidelines. It communicates the company's initiatives, its targets and commitments, as well as the most material issues linked to its environmental, social and economic performance.

"Since our first report four years ago, we have made significant progress in the development of our CSR program and its integration into our everyday operations," said Louis Audet, President and Chief Executive Officer of Cogeco Inc. and Cogeco Communications Inc. "Over the past two years, we have implemented our CSR program in all our business units, we established corporate CSR commitments and targets for the next three to five years, and we have developed a mission statement for our CSR program which is: *To support sustainability through responsible and ethical management and operating practices*."

Examples of achievements for the period covered by the report are the creation of a Supplier Code of Conduct to address supply chain risks related to CSR, the completion of a first internal and external stakeholder survey and a reduction in fuel consumption. The Corporation also supported local organizations directly with cash donations and sponsorships totaling $4.7 million over two years. These efforts to be a good corporate citizen have not gone unnoticed. Corporate Knights Magazine raised the company's listing from 24th in 2014 to 9th in 2015 in its *The Future 40 Responsible Corporate Leaders in Canada* ranking. For the past two years, it was also included in the Jantzi Social Index, consisting of 60 Canadian companies that meet a set of broadly-based environmental, social and governance criteria.

To learn more about Cogeco Communications' endeavours, successful initiatives and progress in sustainability, the 2015 report is available on the corporate website at: https://corpo.cogeco.com/cca/en/company/our-commitment/sustainability.

ABOUT COGECO COMMUNICATIONS INC.

Cogeco Communications Inc. is a communications corporation. It is the 11th largest cable operator in North America, operating in Canada under the Cogeco Connexion name in Québec and Ontario, and in the United States under the Atlantic Broadband name in western Pennsylvania, south Florida, Maryland/Delaware, South Carolina and eastern Connecticut. Cogeco Communications Inc. provides its residential and business customers with video, Internet and telephony services through its two-way broadband fibre networks. Through its subsidiary Cogeco Peer 1, Cogeco Communications Inc. provides its business customers with a suite of information technology services (colocation, network connectivity, managed hosting, cloud services and managed IT services), through its 21 data centres, extensive FastFiber NetworkTM 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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