

# Cobalt 27 Capital Corp. Provides Status Update on Acquisition of Highlands Pacific

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TORONTO, March 19, 2019 - Cobalt 27 Capital Corp. ("Cobalt 27" or the "Company") (TSXV: KBLT) (OTCQX: CBLLF) (FRA: 27O), a battery metals streaming and royalty company, is pleased to provide a status update on its previously announced acquisition of Highlands Pacific Limited ("Highlands")(ASX: HIG; POMSoX: HIG), via a definitive scheme implementation agreement (the "Implementation Agreement"), whereby Cobalt 27 proposes to acquire all of the issued ordinary shares of Highlands that it does not own by means of a scheme of arrangement (the "Scheme") under Part XVI of the PNG Companies Act in Papua New Guinea (see news release dated January 1, 2019).

## Status highlights include:

- On March 12, 2019, Highlands filed the Independent Expert's Report concluding the Scheme is fair and reasonable, and therefore in the best interests of Highlands' shareholders.
- The National Court of Papua New Guinea ordered a meeting for Highlands' shareholders to vote on the Scheme, which has been set for April 30, 2019.
- Cobalt 27 is now Highlands' single largest shareholder, having increased its equity interest from 13% to approximately 19.99% during the first quarter of 2019.
- Highlands' 45-day period to approach other parties for superior offers on its project interests ended February 16, 2019.
- Upon close of the proposed Highlands acquisition, Cobalt 27 to gain an 8.56% interest in the producing Ramu nickel-cobalt mine, a large, long-life, low-cost, high-growth nickel-cobalt operation.

Independent Expert's Report - In relation to the Scheme, the independent directors of Highlands engaged Deloitte Corporate Finance Pty Limited ("Deloitte Corporate Finance") to prepare an Independent Expert's Report, dated March 12, 2019, to opine on whether the Scheme is in the best interests of holders of Scheme Shares (being all shares in Highlands other than those held by or on behalf of Cobalt 27 or its subsidiaries). Behre Dolbear Australia Pty Ltd. was retained by Deloitte Corporate Finance to prepare an Independent Technical Expert Review and Valuation of Highlands Pacific's Mineral Assets, dated March 7, 2019 and which is incorporated by reference in the Independent Expert's Report.

Deloitte Corporate Finance concluded that the Scheme is fair and reasonable, and is therefore in the best interests of holders of Scheme Shares, in the absence of a superior proposal. Under the Implementation Agreement, Highlands had a 45-day period to consider all options and approach other parties for superior offers on its project interests or for Highlands in full. This period ended on February 16, 2019.

## About Highlands Pacific

Highlands is a mining and exploration company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange and the Port Moresby Stock Exchange in PNG. Highlands' primary assets include an 8.56% interest in the producing Ramu mine and a 20% interest in Frieda River Copper-Gold Project, both located in PNG. Highlands also holds the Star Mountains Copper Gold exploration project in PNG and has exploration tenements on Normanby Island (Sewa Bay).

## About Cobalt 27 Capital Corp.

[Cobalt 27 Capital Corp.](#) is a leading battery metals streaming company offering exposure to metals integral to key technologies of the electric vehicle and energy storage markets. The Company owns physical cobalt and a 32.6% Cobalt Stream on Vale's world-class Voisey's Bay mine, beginning in 2021. Cobalt 27 is undertaking a friendly acquisition of Highlands Pacific which is expected to add increased attributable nickel and cobalt production from the long-life, world-class Ramu Mine. The Company also manages a portfolio of 11 royalties and intends to continue to invest in a cobalt and nickel focused portfolio of streams, royalties and direct interests in mineral properties containing battery metals

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