



**COTEC FORMS SUBSIDIARY, COTEC QUÉBEC,
TO ACCELERATE INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN THE PROVINCE**

Vancouver, British Columbia: October 30, 2025 – CoTec Holdings Corp. (TSXV: CTH; OTCQB: CTHCF) (“CoTec” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the establishment of its wholly-owned subsidiary CoTec Québec to accelerate its investment activities in Québec, Canada. CoTec’s core operating model is to establish local companies in the jurisdictions of its assets and investments as part of our license to operate.

Julian Treger, CEO of CoTec commented: *“The establishment of CoTec Québec demonstrates our commitment to advancing the Lac Jeannine Project and pursuing other investment opportunities in the province of Québec. CoTec will implement a comprehensive engagement plan with strategic partners in the province, including the Government of Québec, local stakeholders, First Nations and other interested parties.*

CoTec’s strategy is to recover the significant economic potential of large historical tailings sites with further potential for enhancement through the deployment of CoTec technologies. Québec hosts some of the largest historical resources of high-purity iron globally, creating an exceptional opportunity for Québec to become a global sustainable leader in the green steel supply chain. CoTec Québec will lead the ongoing development of the Lac Jeannine project, which is progressing through its Feasibility Study, and continue to examine further development opportunities in the province that can achieve accelerated project timelines to support the critical minerals supply chain.”

About CoTec Holdings Corp.

CoTec Holdings Corp. (TSX-V: CTH, OTCQB: CTHCF) is redefining the future of resource extraction and recycling. Focused on rare earth magnets and strategic materials, CoTec integrates breakthrough technologies with strategic assets to unlock secure, sustainable, and low-cost supply chains.

CoTec’s mission is clear: accelerate the energy transition while strengthening strategic critical mineral supply chains for the countries we operate in. By investing in and deploying disruptive technologies, the Company delivers capital-efficient, scalable solutions that transform marginal assets, tailings, waste streams, and recycled products into high-value critical minerals.

From its HyProMag USA magnet recycling joint venture in Texas, to iron tailings reprocessing in Québec, to next-generation copper and iron solutions backed by global majors, CoTec is building a diversified portfolio with long-term growth, rapid cash flow potential, and high barriers to entry. The result is a game-changing platform at the intersection of technology, sustainability, and strategic materials.

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Forward-Looking Information Cautionary Statement

Statements in this press release regarding the Company and its investments which are not historical facts are “forward-looking statements” which involve risks and uncertainties, including statements relating to the timing, scope, and completion of the Lac Jeannine Feasibility Study, the potential future value of the Lac Jeannine Project (“Project”), the maiden resource estimate, the bulk sample extraction, potential benefits from the MGS machine for the Project and other potential projects, the option exercise, as well as management’s expectations with respect to the Lac Jeannine investment and other current and potential future investments of CoTec, and the benefits to the Company which may be implied from such statements.

Since forward-looking statements address future events and conditions, by their very nature, they involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Actual results in each case could differ materially from those currently anticipated in such

statements due to known and unknown risks and uncertainties affecting the Company, including but not limited to: resource and reserve risks; environmental risks and costs; permitting and regulatory risks; labor costs and shortages; uncertain supply and price fluctuations in materials; increases in energy costs; labor disputes and work stoppages; equipment leasing and availability; heavy equipment demand and availability; contractor and subcontractor performance; worksite safety issues; project delays and cost overruns; extreme weather events; and social, transport, or geopolitical disruptions.

For further details regarding risks and uncertainties facing the Company, please refer to “Risk Factors” in the Company’s filing statement dated April 6, 2022, a copy of which may be found under the Company’s profile on SEDAR+ (www.sedarplus.ca). The Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements in this press release except as required by law. Readers should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements and information contained in this news release and are encouraged to read the Company’s continuous disclosure documents available on SEDAR+ (www.sedarplus.ca).

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¹ <https://www.cotec.ca/news/cotec-commissions-bba-to-lead-feasibility-study-for-the-lac-jeannine-iron-tailings-recovery-project>