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Canam's Alabama Subsidiaries File Voluntary Petition Under Chapter 11 To Complete Financial And Operational Restructuring And Intend To Continue Serving Customers Without Interruption

Calgary, AB -- May 28, 2015 - CanAm Coal Corp.'s (COE.V) ("CanAm" or the "Company") Alabama based coal mining subsidiaries; Birmingham Coal & Coke Co., Inc ("BCC"), Cahaba Contracting & Reclamation, LLC ("CCR") and RAC Mining, LLC ("RAC") (collectively referred to as the "Alabama Subsidiaries") have filed voluntary petitions under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Alabama. The Alabama Subsidiaries have mineral reserves, mining operations, coal properties and long term off-take contracts with customers in the northwestern region of Alabama. During the restructuring, the Alabama Subsidiaries will operate its businesses, continue customer shipments, continue to honor its obligations to its landowners and will continue to pay its employees in the normal course.

"Over the past several years, the coal markets in the U.S. have faced a number of significant challenges, including increased environmental regulations and reductions in demand due to weaknesses in the U.S. and global economy and lower natural gas prices. This environment has created an extremely challenging financing environment as the Company attempted to refinance its existing debt obligations," stated Jos De Smedt, CanAm's Chief Executive Officer.

"Additionally, weakness in the local thermal coal market in the fourth quarter of 2014 and the first quarter of 2015, combined with a cold and extremely wet winter that impacted the mining and shipment of coal, has continued to erode CanAm's cash position."

CanAm plans to use the Chapter 11 process to undertake a financial restructuring and create a strong financial foundation for the company's future. "After careful consideration of all available alternatives, the boards of the respective companies determined that a Chapter 11 filing was a necessary and prudent step and the best way to maintain regular operations and allow for a successful restructuring," said Mr. Robert Lewis, President of CanAm, BCC and CCR.

Jones Walker LLP is serving as legal counsel for the Alabama Subsidiaries and Borden Ladner Gervais LLP is serving as Canadian counsel for CanAm.

The Company is also reporting that it has received a notice of default from Christian & Small Attorneys who are representing certain holders of the Company's 9.5% Unsecured 2016 Debentures and 12% Secured 2018 Debentures (collectively referred to as the "Debentures"). In accordance with the terms of the Debentures, the entire principal of all Debentures becomes immediately due and payable upon default. The Company is currently reviewing the notice of default. In addition, the Company has received a demand for payment notice for an outstanding related party loan in the amount of \$750,000 that was advanced on November 5, 2014. The Company is currently reviewing the notice of demand for payment.

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