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RUSSEL METALS ANNOUNCES THE PROMOTION OF JOHN G. REID TO PRESIDENT

TORONTO, CANADA – November 2, 2015 -- Russel Metals Inc. (TSX: RUS) today announced the promotion of John G. Reid to President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company, effective as of January 1, 2016. Mr. Reid has over 22 years of industry experience and has served as the Company's Chief Operating officer since 2013. Mr. Reid will report directly to Brian R. Hedges, Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

Mr. Reid started with JMS Metals Services in 1991 and was elevated to President of JMS in 1994. Russel Metals acquired JMS in 2007 and since then Mr. Reid has been given additional responsibilities within the Russel Metals' operations.

Brian Hedges, current President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "I congratulate John on his well earned appointment as President of Russel Metals. John has an impressive track record throughout his career in the steel industry. He has proven to be a successful and trusted leader who develops people and inspires teams. I am extremely confident in John's leadership abilities and welcome his ongoing contributions in his new role as President and Chief Operating Officer as we continue to build on Russel Metals' industry leading performance."

About Russel Metals

Russel Metals is one of the largest metals distribution companies in North America. It carries on business in three metals distribution segments: metals service centers, energy products and steel distributors, under various names including Russel Metals, A.J. Forsyth, Acier Leroux, Acier Loubier, Alberta Industrial Metals, Apex Distribution, Apex Monarch, Apex Remington, Apex Western Fiberglass, Arrow Steel Processors, B&T Steel, Baldwin International, Comco Pipe and Supply, Fedmet Tubulars, JMS Russel Metals, Leroux Steel, McCabe Steel, Mégantic Métal, Métaux Russel, Métaux Russel Produits Spécialisés, Milspec, Norton Metals, Pioneer Pipe, Russel Metals Specialty Products, Russel Metals Williams Bahcall, Siemens Laserworks,

Spartan Energy Tubulars, Sunbelt Group, Triumph Tubular & Supply, Wirth Steel and York-Ennis.

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