





## **CochraneTel Announces Board of Directors**

Five-member board of leading telecom and business experts sets strategic vision for newly incorporated company.

**Cochrane, ON, CANADA (June 15, 2021)** — Cochrane Telecom Services Inc. (CochraneTel) is pleased to announce the appointment of a full slate of board members who will set the strategic direction for the company and ensure that fibre rural expansion plans are implemented on a priority basis.

"I'm excited that we have been able to attract such a high-quality board to oversee CochraneTel," stated Kalai S. Kalaichelvan, Chairman of CochraneTel. "The inaugural board meeting that was held last week was a testament to the hard work of both the EION and CochraneTel teams. The accomplishments of the first 90 days post acquisition are significant and reinforce CochraneTel's commitment to enhancing broadband connectivity in rural neighbourhoods as well as in the core of the Town," he concluded.

#### CochraneTel Board of Directors:

- Dr. Kalai S. Kalaichelvan, Chairman, PomeGran Inc.; Chairman & CEO EION Wireless.
- Jacques Chartrand, President, Chartrand & Associates; Vice President, Corporate Development, EION Wireless
- Melanie Salvador, Chairman & CEO, Teralight Gateway Holdings Inc.
- Denis Clement, Mayor, Town of Cochrane
- John O'Farrell, President, CochraneTel

"I'm very pleased with the Board of Directors that has been assembled to help drive CochraneTel forward," stated John O'Farrell, President, CochraneTel. "Their oversight, coupled with the expertise that EION brings to the company, has already shown to be of great benefit with the 90-day alignment plan accomplishments to date. Our rural expansion will provide much-needed broadband to our underserved neighbourhoods," he concluded.

"The quality and diversity of board members is very impressive," stated Denis Clement, Mayor of the Town of Cochrane and Member, Board of Directors, CochraneTel. "I'm excited to be a member of the Board of Directors of CochraneTel, so that the citizens of Cochrane have a strong voice to communicate their needs to CochraneTel. I look forward to CochraneTel increasing the network to serve our rural communities and increase speeds in the very near future," he concluded.







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#### **About Cochrane Telecom Services Inc.**



CochraneTel was founded in 1921 under the Public Utilities Commission, to provide electricity, water and sewer and telephone services to the community of Cochrane. With the introduction of competition in the electricity market and the disbanding of Commissions across the province, Cochrane Telecom Services (CochraneTel) was formed in 2003, to continue providing telecommunications to the community. In 1994 internet was introduced to Cochrane, which has become one of our primary sources of revenue.

In 2015, CochraneTel pursued the implementation of Internet Protocol Television (IPTV), a television service offered through the same copper and fibre cables that transport all our services.

CochraneTel looks forward to delivering ever improving services to all the people of Cochrane, both in the rural and urban communities, for another 100 years to come.

#### **About EION Wireless**



EION Wireless, headquartered in Ottawa, ON Canada, is a global provider of Broadband Wireless Access products that enable effective, economic and secure wireless high-speed communications solutions. Formed in 2001, EION is a global provider of 4G Mobile LTE solutions, and high-speed broadband wireless products. With Global Customer Support Operations in India, and multiple regional sales offices around the globe, EION Wireless works with more than 165 worldwide channel partners to support some of the largest 4G deployments in the world. EION Wireless

has established over 50 Gold partners globally. EION channel partners support various enterprise sectors such as Oil & Gas, WISP, Government Institutions, Mining, and Public Safety & Security. EION products are sold to Tier I and II Service Providers directly.

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