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## **ECO ORO NOMINATES JOHN HAYES FOR ELECTION AS DIRECTOR AT UPCOMING AGM**

**Vancouver, BC, Canada – April 22, 2015 – Eco Oro Minerals Corp. (“Eco Oro” or the “Company”) (TSX: EOM)** is pleased to announce that John Hayes has agreed to accept a nomination for election as a director of the Company's at its upcoming Annual General Meeting.

A well-recognized and respected figure in the Canadian and international mining industry, Mr. Hayes is a geologist with over 17 years of geological experience ranging from regional surveys to advanced exploration in addition to many years of capital markets experience. Mr. Hayes graduated from Memorial University of Newfoundland with an Honours Bachelor of Science in Geology (1989) and a Master of Science in Geology (1997). He also holds an MBA from Dalhousie University (2003). He is a member (P. Geo.) of the Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Newfoundland and Labrador. Upon his retirement in April 2014, Mr. Hayes was a Managing Director and mining analyst at BMO Capital Markets, which he joined in 2003. As a mining equity analyst, he covered precious and base metal companies globally from the exploration to production stages. In October 2014, Mr. Hayes founded TerraStrat Consulting Inc., a private firm that provides strategic advisory services to the mining industry.

"The members of Eco Oro's Board of Directors and I are extremely pleased that John has accepted our invitation to join us at this critical time in Eco Oro's development," said Juan Esteban Orduz, Co-Chairman. "His experience, reputation and financial acuity can only enhance the significant strengths that we already have at both the board and executive levels."

"John Hayes has had a very long and successful career" said Anna Stylianides, Eco Oro's Chief Executive Officer and Co-Chairman. "He has followed several of the world's best-known resource companies from exploration through to production and has evaluated countless resource companies in various stages of development and we are honored to have him agree to bring his experience to our team."

In addition to Mr. Hayes' nomination, all existing Directors, Juan Esteban Orduz, Jean Sebastien Blanchette, Eduardo Jaramillo, Hubert Marleau and Anna Stylianides, have been nominated for election as directors at the Company's upcoming Annual General Meeting, scheduled for May 8, 2015.

### *Company Profile*

Eco Oro Minerals Corp. is a publicly-traded precious metals exploration and development company with a portfolio of projects in Colombia. Eco Oro has been focused on its wholly-owned, multi-million ounce Angostura gold-silver deposit, located in northeastern Colombia. Eco Oro is committed to further advancing the Angostura Project in a socially and environmentally responsible manner that will be beneficial for all stakeholders.

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