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## ALCAN NAMES NEW MEMBER TO EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM

## COREY COPELAND TO BECOME SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, INVESTOR AND CORPORATE RELATIONS

**Montreal, Canada – March 1, 2007 –** Alcan Inc. announced today that it has named Corey Copeland, 50, to become Senior Vice President, Investor and Corporate Relations, Alcan Inc., effective March 31, 2007. Mr. Copeland also becomes a member of Alcan's Executive Committee. He succeeds Daniel Gagnier, 60, presently Senior Vice President, Corporate and External Affairs, Alcan Inc., who is retiring from the Company.

"Alcan is delighted to welcome Corey into this new strategic role, combining Investor Relations and Corporate Affairs. Through his experience and extensive understanding of the Company and its operating environment, Corey is highly qualified to lead this key function," said Dick Evans, President and Chief Executive Officer, Alcan Inc. "Over the past four years, Corey has successfully led our efforts to communicate Alcan's significant growth and transformation to the capital markets. His planned appointment is once again reflective of the depth of Alcan's management talent and the effectiveness of our succession planning process," he added.

In addition to Mr. Copeland's appointment, other elements of Mr. Gagnier's current responsibilities will be reassigned as follows:

- David McAusland, 53, Executive Vice President, Corporate Development and Chief Legal Officer, Alcan Inc., in addition to his current responsibilities, will assume the leadership of the Company's Government Relations function;
- Jean-Christophe Deslarzes, 43, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Alcan Inc., in addition to his current responsibilities, will assume the leadership of the Company's Business Sustainability, Environment, Health and Safety *EHS FIRST* and Corporate Security functions.

Before joining Alcan in 2002 as Vice President, Investor Relations, Alcan Inc., Mr. Copeland was Vice President, Corporate Affairs of Rio Algom Limited, an international mining and metals company based in Toronto, Ontario, for five years.

Mr. Copeland has over 20 years of experience in communications and public affairs, drawn from the public and private sectors, mainly in the financial services and natural resource industries. He began his career in economic development with the Government of Canada (1983-84), and subsequently held positions of increasing

responsibility at Petro-Canada (1984-85), Bank of Montreal (1985-87), Bank of Nova Scotia (1988-93) and Export Development Canada (1994-97).

Mr. Copeland has been active in various industry associations, including the Canadian Bankers' Association, the Association of Manufacturers and Exporters of Canada, the Canadian Mining Association and the International Council on Metals and the Environment.

Mr. Copeland was born and raised in Toronto. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Toronto and a Master in Public Administration from Harvard University. He has also completed the Advanced Management Program at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He is married with one daughter.

Commenting on Mr. Gagnier's retirement, Mr. Evans said, "Dan has played a significant role in the Company's recent evolution, including key contributions to positioning Alcan as a leader in sustainability, stakeholder relations and *EHS FIRST*. He brought a truly global perspective and visionary approach to his role and to the Company. On behalf of the entire Alcan family, I thank him for his 12 years of service and wish him every success in his retirement from Alcan."

Alcan Inc. (NYSE, TSX: AL) is a leading global materials company, delivering high quality products and services worldwide. With world-class technology and operations in bauxite mining, alumina processing, primary metal smelting, power generation, aluminum fabrication, engineered solutions as well as flexible and specialty packaging today's Alcan is well positioned to meet and exceed its customers' needs. Alcan is represented by 68,000 employees, including its joint-ventures, in 61 countries and regions, and posted revenues of US\$23.6 billion in 2006. The Company has featured on the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index consecutively since 2003. For more information, please visit: www.alcan.com.

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