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## **Alabama Graphite Corp. meets with Senior United States Senator Richard C. Shelby**

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TORONTO, CANADA — (March 1, 2017) — [Alabama Graphite Corp.](#) (“AGC” or the “Company”) (TSX-V:[CSPG](#)) (OTCQB:[CSPGF](#)) (FRANKFURT:[IAG](#) - [http://www.commodity-tv.net/c/mid,2697,Company\\_Presentation/?v=297325](http://www.commodity-tv.net/c/mid,2697,Company_Presentation/?v=297325)) is pleased to announce that senior officials of the Company were asked to meet with the [Honorable Richard C. Shelby](#), senior United States Senator for Alabama. Representatives of the Company, including President and Chief Executive Officer Donald Baxter, P.Eng. and Executive Vice President Tyler Dinwoodie, recently met with Senator Shelby in Coosa County, Alabama. Mr. Baxter and Senator Shelby spoke at length.



PHOTO 1 CAPTION: Alabama Graphite Corp. President and Chief Executive Officer Donald Baxter presents graphitic rock, ultra-high-purity concentrate and battery-ready graphite samples produced from the Company’s Coosa Graphite Project (located in Coosa County, Alabama, USA), to the Honorable Richard C. Shelby, senior United States Senator for Alabama.

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Topics discussed included AGC’s sourced-and-made-in-USA battery-ready Coated Spherical Purified Graphite (“CSPG”) business model, the Company’s [U.S. Department of Defense \(“DoD”\) focused business strategy](#), the recently released ultra-high-purity [99.99997% graphite purity results](#) via the Company’s proprietary, environmentally sustainable process, and the upcoming milestones necessary to advance AGC to production, including the Feasibility Study for the flagship Coosa Graphite Project.

Additionally, Mr. Baxter discussed the criticality of a secure, accessible domestic supply of battery-ready graphite from within the contiguous United States, in addition to the geopolitical and environmental issues with Chinese-produced graphite and, further, the fact that some Chinese graphite is being sourced from North Korea.



PHOTO 2 CAPTION: Alabama Graphite Corp. President and Chief Executive Officer Donald Baxter discusses the Company’s sourced-and-manufactured-in-USA battery-ready graphite and its U.S. Department of Defense-focused business strategy with Senator Richard C. Shelby in Coosa County, Alabama.

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Senator Shelby was very well versed on the challenges that the United States faces regarding battery-ready graphite as a strategic, critical material. The Senator expressed a deep appreciation for the importance of maintaining a domestic supply of battery-ready graphite for the DoD’s vast battery requirements.

Following the meeting, Senator Shelby stated: *“I am very interested in domestically sourced-and-manufactured graphite, especially from the great state of Alabama. The DoD has expressed concerns regarding potential export controls from China and the impact to military applications. Alabama Graphite’s work is positive for our state’s economic growth potential, and is also important to our national security. As a member of the [United States Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense](#), I intend to address the United States’ supply of battery graphite with the Administration and the DoD.”*



PHOTO 3 CAPTION: Senator Richard C. Shelby and Alabama Graphite Corp. President and Chief Executive Officer Donald Baxter in Coosa County, Alabama.

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Mr. Baxter and Mr. Dinwoodie met with senior representatives of Senator Shelby, former United States Senator for Alabama and current United States Attorney General [Jeff Sessions](#), and U.S. Representative [Gary Palmer](#), representing the Alabama's Sixth Congressional District, in Washington, D.C. in late 2016.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of  
ALABAMA GRAPHITE CORP.

**Donald K. D. Baxter, P.Eng.**

President, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

**ABOUT ALABAMA GRAPHITE CORP.**

[Alabama Graphite Corp.](#) is a Canadian-based flake graphite exploration and development company as well as an aspiring battery materials production and technology company. The Company operates through its wholly owned subsidiary, Alabama Graphite Company Inc. (*a company registered in the state of [Alabama](#)*). With an advancing flake graphite project in the United States of America, Alabama Graphite Corp. intends to become a reliable, long-term US supplier of specialty high-purity graphite products, namely Coated Spherical Purified Graphite (CSPG) engineered for use in lithium-ion batteries. A highly experienced team leads the Company with more than 100 years of combined graphite mining, graphite processing, specialty graphite products and applications, advanced battery development and graphite sales experience. Alabama Graphite Corp. is focused on the exploration and development of its flagship [Coosa Graphite Project](#) in Coosa County, Alabama, and its [Bama Mine Project](#) in Chilton County, Alabama as well the research and development of its proprietary manufacturing and technological processing process of battery materials.

Alabama Graphite Corp. holds a 100% interest in the mineral rights for these two US-based graphite projects, which are both located on private land. The two projects encompass more than 43,000 acres and are located in a geopolitically stable, mining-friendly jurisdiction with significant historical production of crystalline flake graphite in the flake graphite belt of central Alabama, also known as the Alabama Graphite Belt (*source: US Bureau of Mines*). A significant

portion of the Alabama deposits are characterized by graphite-bearing material that is oxidized and has been weathered into extremely soft rock. Both projects have infrastructure in place, are within close proximity to major highways, rail, power and water, and are approximately three hours (by truck or train) to the Port of Mobile, the Alabama Port Authority's deep-seawater port and the ninth largest port by tonnage in the United States (*source: US Army Corps of Engineers/USACE*). The state of Alabama's hospitable climate allows for year-round mining operations and the world's largest marble quarry (which operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year in Sylacauga, Alabama), is located within a 30-minute drive of the Coosa Graphite Project.

On [November 30, 2015](#), Alabama Graphite Corp. announced the results of a preliminary economic assessment (“PEA”) for the Coosa Graphite Project, indicating a potentially low-cost project with potential positive economics. Please refer to the Company’s technical report titled “*Alabama Graphite Corp. Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) on the Coosa graphite Project, Alabama, USA*” dated November 27, 2015, prepared by independent engineering firms AGP Mining Consultants Inc. and Metal Mining Consultants Inc., and filed on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

*Note: a preliminary economic assessment is preliminary in nature, it includes inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves and there is no certainty that the preliminary economic assessment will be realized.*

*\* Inferred Mineral Resources represent material that is considered too speculative to be included in economic evaluations. Additional trenching and/or drilling will be required to convert Inferred Mineral Resources to Measured or Indicated Mineral Resources. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is no guarantee that all or any part of the Mineral Resource will be converted into a Mineral Reserve.*

Alabama Graphite Corp. is a proud member of the National Association of Advanced Technology Batteries International (“[NAATBatt International](#)”), a US-based, not-for-profit trade association commercializing advanced electrochemical energy-storage technologies for emerging, high-tech applications.

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