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## **SouthGobi Resources announces departure of Curtis Church, COO**

**HONG KONG** – SouthGobi Resources Ltd. (**TSX: SGQ, HK: 1878**) (“SouthGobi”) today announced the termination of Chief Operating Officer Curtis Church with immediate effect. Ross Tromans, President and CEO, will assume the duties formerly handled by Mr. Church.

### **About SouthGobi Resources**

SouthGobi Resources is focused on exploration and development of its Permian-age metallurgical and thermal coal deposits in Mongolia’s South Gobi Region. The company’s flagship coal mine, Ovoot Tolgoi, produces and sells coal to customers in China. The company plans to supply a wide range of coal products to markets in Asia.

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