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## Blaire Lancaster joins WinSport Board of Directors, Peter Cohos transitions to Board Chair

CALGARY, Alta. – WinSport is honoured to announce today the addition of Blaire Lancaster to WinSport's Board of Directors and the transition of Peter Cohos to the Board Chair position.

A born and raised Albertan, Lancaster is Vice President of Business Development and External Affairs at Ferus Natural Gas Fuels (Ferus NGF), an energy infrastructure and service company. She joined the Ferus Group in 2011 after senior roles with Rainmaker Global Business Development, Calgary Economic Development, and the Canadian Consulate's Canadian Trade Commissioner Service in Boston.

Lancaster replaces Susan Anderson, who has retired from the Board following the completion of her term.

"On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Susan for her contributions. Her passion for sport and business acumen has been a great asset to WinSport," says Perry Spitznagel, who ends his term as Board Chair, effective today, and will remain on the Board as Past Chair. "We are privileged to add to the Board an individual of Blaire's calibre. Her business experience and ability to build relationships is a welcome addition to the Board."

Cohos, who moves up from Vice-Chair to take the reins as Board Chair, is the President of Copez Properties Ltd. Cohos has been a member of the WinSport Board since 2013 and is also on the Board of Atrium Mortgage Investment Corp.

"There will be a seamless transition with Peter taking over as Board Chair and he will do a tremendous job in providing leadership and guidance during his tenure," said Spitznagel, who has been a member of the WinSport Board since 2010.

The WinSport Board consists of Barry Heck (President & CEO); Peter Cohos (Chair); Don Archibald (Vice-Chair); Greg Kwong (Vice-Chair); Perry Spitznagel (Past Chair); Brad Hurtubise; Andrew Judson; Blaire Lancaster; Chris Lee; Rebecca Morley; Jim Riddell; Kelly Vanderbeek; Dru Marshall (University of Calgary representative); Catriona Le May Doan (Government of Canada representative); and James McLaughlin (City of Calgary representative).

Also, on Thursday, WinSport announced that the Board of Directors has granted honorary lifetime membership to Scott Hutcheson for his outstanding contribution to the organization. Hutcheson served on the WinSport Board for over 10 years, including terms as Vice-Chair and Chair of the Board.

Hutcheson's passion for sport and his community, business acumen and strong leadership skills, combined with his experience as an elite athlete, made him a key contributor to WinSport. Even after his retirement from the Board in 2018, he continues to be a strong advocate for WinSport.

## **About WinSport**

WinSport inspires human potential through the spirit of sport. The Calgary Olympic Development Association, operating as WinSport, is a community-based, not-for-profit organization that owns and operates Canada Olympic Park and the Bill Warren Training Centre in Canmore. WinSport also administers legacy funds that support the Olympic Oval. WinSport's mission has three pillars: to help people discover the joy and health benefits of sport; to encourage talented athletes to develop their skills; and to enable Canada's high-performance athletes to excel on the world stage. Financial commitments from Canadian governments and business have allowed WinSport to expand its sport and community offering over time; significant investment will be required in the coming years to renew the legacy facilities that have welcomed the world to the Calgary region for more than a generation.

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