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ARTOPEX NAMED ONE OF CANADA'S 50 BEST MANAGED COMPANIES FOR THE 11TH YEAR IN A ROW

Granby. Thursday, March 1, 2018 – Artopex announces today it has once again been named one of Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies. Deloitte recognized Artopex for its overall business performance and sustained growth. Member of the Platinum Club, Artopex is proud to be named to the awards program for the 11th consecutive year.

"It is with great pride and gratitude that we welcome this news", explains Daniel Pelletier, President of Artopex. "Our vision and growth strategies propel us further ahead each year. I sincerely thank all the members of the Artopex Family for their sustained efforts that allow us to achieve this honor", he states.

Now in its 25th year, Canada's Best Managed Companies is the country's leading business awards program, recognizing excellence in Canadian owned and managed companies with revenues over \$15 million. To be named to the program, candidate companies must have demonstrated strategy, competence and commitment to achieving sustainable growth. Every year, hundreds of entrepreneurial companies compete for this designation in a rigorous and independent process that evaluates the calibre of their management abilities and practices.

"Best Managed Platinum winners have exceptional insights and knowledge into business management practices. They are an inspiration and really take their game to a new level," said Peter Brown, Partner, Deloitte and Co-Leader, Canada's Best Managed Companies program.

2018 winners of the Canada's Best Managed Companies award will be honoured at the annual Canada's Best Managed Companies Gala in Toronto on April 11, 2018.

About Artopex

In constant growth and a member of the Platinum Club of Deloitte's Best Managed Companies in Canada for 11 years, Artopex is a leading manufacturer of office furniture offering everything under one roof, including wood and laminate casegoods, architectural walls, systems furniture, seating and storage. Artopex was founded in Granby, Quebec in 1980 and has 465 North American points of sale. It is with pride in its roots and a commitment to its community that the family-owned company intends to pursue its expansion.

About Canada's Best Managed Companies

Canada's Best Managed Companies continues to be the mark of excellence for Canadian-owned and managed companies with revenues over \$15 million. Every year since the launch of the program in 1993, hundreds of entrepreneurial companies have competed for this designation in a rigorous and independent process that evaluates their management skills and practices. The awards are granted on four levels: 1) Canada's Best Managed Companies new winner (one of the new winners selected each year); 2) Canada's Best Managed Companies winner (award recipients that have reapplied and successfully retained their Best Managed designation for two additional years, subject to annual operational and financial review); 3) Gold Standard winner (after three consecutive years of maintaining their Best Managed status, these winners have demonstrated their commitment to the program and successfully retained their award for 4-6 consecutive years); 4) Platinum Club member (winners that have maintained their Best Managed status for seven years or more). Program sponsors are Deloitte, CIBC, Canadian Business, Smith School of Business, TMX Group and MacKay CEO Forums. For further information, visit www.bestmanagedcompanies.ca.

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