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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

R. W. Hutchinson accepts position as Founding Chair, Geotechnical Advisory Committee and Tri Origin announces appointment of CFO

Dr. Richard Hutchinson has agreed to act as Founding Chair of a Geotechnical Advisory Committee to be established by Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. (TOE : TSX-V) effective March 2nd, 2009. This appointment coincides with a decision recently reached by Dr. Hutchinson to step down from the Board of Tri Origin also effective March 2nd, 2009. Richard has been a director of the Company since 1995. His tireless service as a director has been deeply appreciated over the years and his contribution to the Company is most gratefully acknowledged by management and directors of Tri Origin.

The Geotechnical Advisory committee is set to monitor, provide advice and report to the board on the Company's exploration strategy, budget levels, plans and technical project execution. In addition, its objective is to assist the Company in its pursuit of the highest level of technical expertise in its ongoing exploration planning and programs. Dr. Hutchinson is Professor Emeritus at the Colorado School of Mines, an inductee into the Canadian Mining Hall of Fame, retired professor of Economic Geology at the University of Western Ontario and an enthusiastic explorationist. He has received numerous medals and awards from academic and industry groups worldwide for his insightful contributions to the field of economic geology and the understanding of ore deposits. Tri Origin welcomes his expertise to the position of founding chair of its newly formed committee.

The Company is also pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. John Ross to the position of Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to commence immediately. Mr. Ross is a chartered accountant who completed a BA Economics and Mathematics and an MBA at the University of Western Ontario. He has gained significant experience in the mining industry through employment with Rio Algom Limited, IAMGold Corp, FNX Mining Company and other exploration firms.

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Tri Origin Exploration Ltd. is publicly listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the trading symbol TOE. Tri Origin is a leading Canadian exploration company with gold and base metal exploration projects in the Canadian Shield. Tri Origin also has leveraged exposure to mineral discoveries in Australia through its 48% equity interest in its affiliate, Tri Origin Minerals Ltd.; a publicly traded company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange under the symbol TRO.