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FIRSTSERVICE PROMOTES PATTERSON & FRIEDRICHSEN

TORONTO, Ontario (September 18, 2002)—Jay S. Hennick, President and Chief Executive Officer of FirstService Corporation, one of North America's fastest growing providers of property and business services, today announced the appointments of D. Scott Patterson, C.A., as Executive Vice President of FirstService and President of the Company's Business Services Group and of John B. Friedrichsen, C.A., as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Both appointments are effective immediately.

Patterson, previously the Company's CFO for seven years, will spearhead the Company's Business Services Group with the responsibility to further develop and leverage the opportunities in the rapidly growing business services market. FirstService's Business Services Group, including DDS Distribution Services, The Watts Group and BDP Business Data

Services, provides customer support and fulfilment as well as business process outsourcing services to Fortune 1000 companies and Governments through 24 branches in the United States and Canada. In fiscal 2002, the Group generated approximately US \$ 130 million dollars in revenue.

Formerly Senior Vice-President, Acquisitions, Friedrichsen joined FirstService in January 1998 and since then has played an integral role in the execution of the Company's acquisition strategy and corporate finance initiatives.

"These two appointments allow us to leverage proven leaders into new and expanding roles, while maintaining continuity within our organization," said Hennick. "Scott is deeply familiar with our people, operations and opportunities in the Business Services Group and John has excellent credentials for his new role as CFO -- having worked for the past four years with the other members of our corporate finance team and with our operating subsidiaries."

"As a result of these changes, FirstService now has a seasoned senior management team in place at each of our operating groups, which will allow us to maintain our strong internal growth and capitalize on acquisition opportunities as they arise", he added.

FirstService Corporation is a leader in the rapidly growing service sector, providing a variety of property and business services to commercial and residential customers throughout North America including: Residential Property Management, Electronic Security, Consumer Services and Business Services. Detailed information on FirstService can be found at www.firstservice.com.

Certain statements included in this release constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Reform Act"). Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company, or industry results, to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others,

the following: general economic and business conditions, which will, among other things, impact demand for the Company's services, service industry conditions and capacity; the ability of the Company to implement its business strategy, including the Company's ability to acquire suitable acquisition candidates on acceptable terms and successfully integrate newly acquired businesses with its existing businesses; changes in or the failure to comply with government regulations (especially safety and environmental laws and regulations); and other factors which are described in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.