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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## WEST FRASER TIMBER CO. LTD. ("WFT")

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## West Fraser Contributes \$1,000,000 to New Lodge To Serve Cancer Patients in Central and Northern British Columbia

Vancouver, B.C. – West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd. today announced the commitment of a \$1 million contribution to the Canadian Cancer Society's "The Northern Lodge – A Home Away From Home" campaign. The campaign will result in the construction of a \$10 million, 36 bed Lodge that will serve cancer patients from central and northern B.C. receiving treatment at the B.C. Cancer Agency's new cancer treatment centre in Prince George.

"Our company roots and largest concentration of employees are in central and northern British Columbia, stated Hank Ketcham, Company Chairman, President and CEO, and we take great pride in making this contribution to a facility with the sole purpose of making life just a bit easier for those among us stricken by cancer and their loved ones."

The B.C. Cancer Agency predicts that as our population ages and grows in the region over the next 10 years that cancer diagnoses will increase by approximately 29%. That factor alone justifies not only the development of the Cancer Agency's new treatment facility to serve the region but the development of the Northern Lodge to help those traveling to Prince George for treatment.

"West Fraser makes this contribution on behalf of all our employees and in doing so we also wish to thank the B.C. Cancer Agency and provincial government for establishing the B.C. Cancer Agency's Centre for the North," concluded Ketcham.

West Fraser is an integrated wood products company producing lumber, wood chips, LVL, MDF, plywood, pulp and newsprint. The Company has operations in western Canada and the southern United States.

West Fraser shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol: "WFT".

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