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NEWS RELEASE

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

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West Fraser's CFO to Retire

Vancouver, B.C. – West Fraser announced today that Gerry Miller, Executive Vice-President, Finance and CFO will retire at the end of July 2011. Mr. Miller joined the Company in 1986 as Corporate Controller and has served West Fraser in a number of senior management roles in administration, operations and finance.

Hank Ketcham, Chairman, President and CEO said: "Gerry has made an enormous contribution to West Fraser during his 25 years with us. He personifies the West Fraser culture—straightforward, consistent, hard-working with strong fundamental values."

Larry Hughes, Senior Vice-President and Secretary, will become Vice-President, Finance and CFO upon Mr. Miller's retirement. Mr. Hughes joined the Company in September of 2007 following a 27-year career as a corporate and commercial lawyer.

This News Release contains certain forward-looking statements about potential future developments, in particular those relating to the announced retirement of Mr. Miller. Readers should exercise caution in relying upon forward-looking statements and West Fraser undertakes no obligation to publicly revise them to reflect subsequent events or circumstances except as required by applicable securities laws.

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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