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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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

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#### **Hinton Pulp Green Transformation Project**

Hinton, Alberta – **West Fraser** announces its intention to proceed with the purchase and installation of a pressure diffusion washer at its Hinton Pulp division. The project, which is expected to cost \$15 million, will be funded by credits earned under the Canadian federal government's "Pulp and Paper Green Transformation Program". This program is designed to lay the groundwork for a greener, more sustainable future for the pulp and paper industry by supporting innovation and environmentally-friendly investments in areas such as energy efficiency and renewable energy production.

The installation of a pressure diffusion washer will allow Hinton Pulp to improve its energy efficiency by reducing the volume of natural gas consumed and increasing the facility's production of green power. The project will also improve environmental performance through reduced and cleaner mill effluent. The successful completion of this project is expected to be an important step for Hinton Pulp in improving its overall competitiveness and long-term outlook.

This News Release contains certain forward looking statements about potential future developments, in particular those relating to the anticipated benefits from the pressure diffusion washer project. These are presented to provide reasonable guidance to the reader. Their accuracy and the actual achievement of such benefits depend on and are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties and other factors. Accordingly, 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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