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**WEST FRASER TIMBER CO. LTD.  
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**Eurocan Pulp & Paper Strike**

On Tuesday, May 27, 2003 members of Local 298 of the Communication, Energy and Papermakers Union of Canada, one of two unions representing workers at the Company's Eurocan Pulp & Paper mill, rejected the Company's final offer in the current collective agreement negotiation. The vote was conducted under the supervision of the Labour Relations Board. As a result of the vote, members of the Local have initiated a strike which has shut down production at the mill located in Kitimat, British Columbia.

The final offer presented to the Local was patterned on other settlements that have been, and are being, negotiated and settled in the B.C. pulp & paper industry.

West Fraser is one of Canada's largest integrated forest products companies with manufacturing operations in British Columbia, Alberta and the southern United States.

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