



Canadian Western Trust's assets under administration surpass \$5.0 billion

Vancouver, BC, August 13, 2009 – Canadian Western Trust Company (CWT) today established a new internal benchmark by surpassing \$5.0 billion of assets under administration.

“Achieving this milestone underscores our clients’ recognition of CWT’s highly personalized service and innovative product solutions,” said Adrian Baker, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Canadian Western Trust. “We continue to increase our client base by enhancing CWT’s position as the preferred provider of trust services within our markets.”

“At a time when challenging economic conditions are front page news, it is refreshing to announce that CWT continues to grow both assets under administration and its client base,” added Scott Scobie, General Manager of CWT. “This, coupled with our move into the Ontario market, makes it a very exciting time for CWT and our clients.”

About Canadian Western Trust

Based in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canadian Western Trust Company (CWT) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Canadian Western Bank (TSX: CWB). CWT offers self-directed registered accounts and investment account services to independent financial advisors, mortgage brokers and individuals. CWT also provides corporate and group services to corporations that offer employee retirement and pension plans. Established in 1987, CWT became part of the Canadian Western Bank Group in 1996. Please visit www.cwt.ca for more information.

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