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## **CANADIAN WESTERN TRUST AND PORTFOLIO STRATEGIES CORPORATION ENTER STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP**

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March 11, 2008, Vancouver, BC – Canadian Western Trust (CWT) today announced its appointment as trustee, custodian and record keeper for the registered accounts of Portfolio Strategies Corporation (Portfolio Strategies) effective March 26, 2008.

“CWT guides corporations, financial advisors and individuals toward ideal solutions in retirement, trustee/custodial, and related financial services. We are thrilled to add another premier company like Portfolio Strategies to our growing list of clients,” said Adrian Baker, COO of CWT.

“Portfolio Strategies is committed to principles of fairness, simplicity, and client advocacy. We strive to provide our clients with the structure and flexible support required for long-term investment success,” said Mark Kent, President of Portfolio Strategies. “Adding CWT as our preferred partner for Self-Directed Registered Plans allows us to focus on what we do best, helping our clients’ achieve their long-term financial goals,” added Kent.

### **About Canadian Western Trust**

Based in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canadian Western Trust Company (CWT) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canadian Western Bank. 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 currently administers over \$4 billion in assets. CWT’s reputation for flexibility and responsiveness are points of pride. For more information visit [www.cwt.ca](http://www.cwt.ca).

### **About Portfolio Strategies Corporation**

Portfolio Strategies Corporation is a Calgary-based investment consulting firm with offices in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba & Ontario. The firm and its associate companies manage over \$1.6 billion of assets, for over 30,000 clients and offers investment products, portfolio management, financial/retirement/estate planning and risk management. For more information visit [www.portfoliostrategies.ca](http://www.portfoliostrategies.ca).

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