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CANWEL BUILDING MATERIALS ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT

VANCOUVER, CANADA – June 16, 2011 – CanWel Building Materials Group Ltd. (“CanWel” or “the Company”) (TSX:CWX) announced today the following key executive appointment.

Marc Séguin, previously the General Manager for the Québec Region, will assume the role of President of the Company's CanWelBroadleaf Division. The appointment will be effective immediately, and Mr. Séguin will report directly to Amar S. Doman, Chairman and CEO of the Company.

"I am pleased to announce Marc as our new President of the CanWelBroadleaf Division. Marc has been with CanWel since 2006, has successfully managed one of our biggest regions, Québec, and has been closely involved in the integration of our Broadleaf acquisition. As we deploy our new operating platform for the benefit of the Canadian market place, Marc is uniquely suited to maintain focus internally across each of our core business regions as well as externally with our customers and suppliers," stated Mr. Doman. "Marc is a professional who will provide strong leadership and direction, and I am looking forward to working even more closely with him."

About CanWel Building Materials

CanWel Building Materials trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol CWX and is one of Canada's largest national distributors in the building materials and related products sector, operating distribution centres coast to coast in all major cities and strategic locations across Canada. CanWel distributes a wide range of building materials, lumber, hardware and renovation products. Further information can be found in the disclosure documents filed by CanWel (and its predecessor, CanWel Building Materials Income Fund) with the securities regulatory authorities, available at www.sedar.com.

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