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Press Release

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CANWEL BUILDING MATERIALS ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT

VANCOUVER, CANADA – August 26, 2010 – CanWel Building Materials Group Ltd. (“CanWel” or “the Company”) (TSX:CWX) announced the following today:

CanWel+Broadleaf Division Leadership Appointment

The CanWel+Broadleaf Division (the “Division”) of the CanWel Building Materials Group Ltd. announced today a key Senior Management appointment.

Brian Martin will assume the role of Director of National Accounts for the Division, effective September 7, 2010. Brian will report directly to Bob Simko, President of the CanWel+Broadleaf Division.

"Brian brings in excess of thirty years of service to this industry, across a variety of positions at Weldwood, CanWel, MacMillan Bloedel, Weyerhaeuser and Broadleaf," noted Mr. Simko. "With his knowledge and integrity, we are indeed fortunate to have an individual like Brian leading this important customer interface."

About CanWel Building Materials

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

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