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Ernst & Young celebrates Pacific finalists for 2010 Entrepreneur Of The Year®

Firm recognizes high-achieving entrepreneurs who make a difference in the global economy

(Vancouver, July 6, 2010) Canada's most successful entrepreneurs improve the quality of life for people across the globe, Ernst & Young said today as the firm announced the finalists for the *Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year 2010 Awards*.

"This year's exceptional Pacific finalists all share a commitment to innovation, an inherent ability to spot opportunities and the perseverance to keep trying," says Fred Withers, Director of the *Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year Awards* for the Pacific region. "They have the ability to help drive the economic rebound and propel growth throughout Canada and beyond."

According to a recent Ernst & Young publication, *A world of opportunity: Entrepreneurial perspectives on the impact of globalization*, entrepreneurs have been quick to seize opportunities presented by the opening of new markets.

"Because of advanced communications and technology, Canadian entrepreneurs can acquire greater insight and information into global markets," notes Withers. "While this helps them pursue opportunities abroad, it's also much more feasible for worldwide competitors to enter Canadian markets."

In a recent Ernst & Young report, *Ambitious, adept and agile*, just over two-thirds of entrepreneurs surveyed agreed that globalization has opened the door to new and unforeseen competitors. Companies are suddenly finding a new generation of rivals from both local and international markets.

"Entrepreneurs should draw on the intellectual and cultural strength of their people, suppliers and partners to boost creativity and design better products and services," says Withers. "Companies that step up their innovative abilities can take their businesses to new heights and change our lives for the better."

Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year recognizes high-achieving entrepreneurs in Canada and around the world who drive growth, transform industries and build communities. The Canadian program is in its 17th year of honouring the country's most impressive entrepreneurs from all areas of business.

The names of the Pacific winners will be announced at a gala banquet in Vancouver on September 28, and the overall winner will represent the region at the national banquet in Toronto on November 17. For ticket information regarding the regional and national banquets, please contact Sandie Atkinson at (604) 643-5486.

The 2010 Pacific finalists for *Entrepreneur Of The Year* are:

Business-to-business products and services

Olivier Vincent

Canpages Inc. | Burnaby

www.canpages.ca

Canpages is Canada's fastest growing local search company. The company offers online, mobile and print search options focused on delivering relevant, local search results.

Robert Burns

Canpro Global Services Inc. | Coquitlam

www.canproglobal.com

Canpro Global is an international leader in delivering professional Risk Mitigation services, including Risk Solutions, Investigations, HRservices, Training Resources, and Labour Risk Management.

Charles Kim

Trans Pac Group of Companies | Vancouver
www.transpacfibre.com

Trans Pac Group of Companies is primarily engaged in the wood products business and specializes in log and lumber exports to Asian markets.

Business-to-consumer products and services

Samir Manji

Amica Mature Lifestyles Inc. | Vancouver
www.amica.ca

Amica Mature Lifestyles Inc. is a leader in the management, marketing, design and development of luxury housing and services for mature lifestyles.

Arash Fasihi

Cymax Stores Inc. | Vancouver
www.cymax.com

Cymax Stores Inc. is one of the fastest growing e-retail furniture businesses, with more than 100 specialty online stores and one of the largest selections of products on the web.

John Nicola

Nicola Wealth Management | Vancouver
www.nicolawealth.com

Nicola Wealth Management is a boutique financial planning and wealth management firm servicing high net worth clients across Canada.

Cleantech

George Rubin

Day4 Energy Inc. | Burnaby
www.day4energy.com

Day 4 Energy Inc. designs and manufactures high-performance solar electric modules, with the goal of revolutionizing solar power used in residential, commercial and utility power generation.

James Tansey

Offsetters | Vancouver
offsetters.ca

Offsetters is Canada's leading carbon management provider, helping individuals and companies understand, reduce and offset their climate impact.

Nicole von Stefenelli

Urban Impact Recycling Ltd | Richmond
urbanimpact.com

Urban Impact is a commercial transportation and processing company, specializing in recycling, shredding and waste management services.

Hospitality/tourism

Yuri Fulmer

FDC Brands Inc. | Vancouver
www.mrmikes.ca

FDC Brands Inc. has various holdings in the Food and Beverage business, including a substantial equity stake in Mr. Mikes Steakhouse and Bar, and is one of Canada's largest A&W franchisees.

Emad Yacoub

Glowbal Restaurant Group Inc. | Vancouver
www.glowbalgroup.com

Glowbal Restaurant Group Inc. aims to provide customers with a satisfying restaurant experience on every level. Glowbal is comprised of six restaurants, two lounges and a full-service catering company.

A. Craig Widsten

Shearwater Marine Limited | Richmond

www.shearwater.ca

Shearwater Marine Group is a diversified organization that offers marine services, freight service, eco-tourism, a fishing resort, bars and restaurants, a RV campground, a marina, and hardware and grocery stores.

Information technology

Christopher Krywulak

iQmetrix Software Development Corp. | Vancouver

www.iQmetrix.com

iQmetrix has become the leading provider of retail management solutions for the cellular and wireless retail and telecommunications industries.

Elton Pereira

ParetoLogic, Inc. | Victoria

www.paretologic.com/

ParetoLogic creates a wide-range of security and utility programs for computers, including anti-virus, registry cleaner, child protection, driver updater, file extension repairer and data recovery software.

Andrew Reid

Vision Critical Inc. | Vancouver

www.visioncritical.com

Vision Critical is a strategic interactive research company that employs interactive technology, strategic researchers and global panels to embrace markets all over the world.

Manufacturing

Dan On

Dan-D Foods Ltd. | Richmond

www.dan-d-pak.com

Dan-D Foods is a fine food importer, manufacturer and distributor of snack foods and spices from around the world.

Chad Wasilenkoff

Fortress Paper Ltd. | North Vancouver

www.fortresspaper.com

Fortress paper is an international manufacturer of specialty and security papers.

Karen Flavelle

Purdy's Chocolates | Vancouver

www.purdys.com

Purdy's Chocolates is a manufacturer and retailer of premium quality chocolates.

Mining and metals

John Whittington

Farallon Mining Ltd. | Vancouver

www.farallonmining.com

Farallon Mining Ltd. is a Canadian company with a zinc-rich polymetallic mine in Guerrero State, Mexico.

Rick Clark

Red Back Mining Inc. | Vancouver
www.redbackmining.com

Red Back Mining Inc. is a mining company rapidly building a leading African gold producer. The company also holds an extensive exploration portfolio both in Ghana and Mauritania.

Peter Barnes

Silver Wheaton Corp. | Vancouver
www.webmail.shaw.ca

Silver Wheaton has quickly positioned itself as the largest metals streaming company in the world. The company currently has thirteen silver purchase agreements and two precious metals purchase agreements.

Social entrepreneur

Janice Abbott

Atira Property Management Inc. | Vancouver
www.atira.ca

Atira Property Management offers quality property management services.

All profits are used to fund the Atira Women's Resource Society's housing and support programs for women and children who have been impacted by violence.

Tim Cormode

Power To Be Adventure Therapy Society | Victoria
www.powertobe.ca

Power To Be provides outdoor recreation programs that enrich the lives of disadvantaged children, young adults, their families and the communities to which they belong.

Daphne Nederhorst

Sawa Global | Vancouver
www.sawaglobal.com

Sawa Global supports local heroes who have found their own solutions to solving extreme poverty in their communities in telling their stories of leadership.

The Pacific regional judges are:

Ryan Beedie, President
The Beedie Group

Bev Briscoe, President
Briscoe Management Ltd.

Jim Case, CEO
Travelers Financial Group

Amar Doman, Chairman and CEO
CanWel Building Materials Ltd.

Tracey McVicar, Managing Director
CAI Capital Management Co.

Jim Moore, President
Stork Craft Manufacturing Inc.

Grant Weaver, Partner
Bull, Houser & Tupper LLP

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