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WESTON FOREST is a recipient of the 2021 Canadian Business Excellence Awards for Private Businesses

Mississauga, ON – May 27, 2021 – Steve Rhone, President and CEO of Weston Forest, is excited to announce that the company is once again a recipient of the Canadian Business Excellence Awards for Private Businesses. This is the fourth consecutive year that Weston Forest has won this prestigious honour.

From the official awards press release: "Excellence Canada is pleased to announce that, at the fifth annual *Canadian Business Excellence Awards for Private Businesses*, 26 Canadian organizations will be receiving the *Canadian Businesses Excellence Awards* for clearly demonstrating a strategic approach to successfully improving business performance and achieving goals, with a focus on the following three key performance areas: Delighted Customers; Engaged Employees; and Innovation.

Excellence Canada's mission is to help improve organizational performance and recognize excellence, with a vision to promote and enable excellence in every organization in Canada. The Canadian Business Excellence Awards is an annual awards program that recognizes outstanding achievements by organizations in the private sector, from coast-to-coast across Canada."

Steve Rhone commented, "This is yet another affirmation that the people-first culture at Weston Forest continues to take us in the right direction. The stringent criteria and employee survey component of the Canadian Business Excellence Awards for Private Businesses validate the hard work and dedication of our team. Everyone at Weston Forest should be proud of this accomplishment, as should our customers and suppliers."

The awards will be presented at the 2021 Canadian Business Excellence Awards for Private Businesses Virtual Cocktail Reception on Wednesday, June 9th.

About Excellence Canada

Excellence Canada is an independent, not-for-profit corporation that is committed to advancing organizational excellence across Canada. Since 1992, Excellence Canada has helped thousands of organizations become cultures of continuous quality improvement and world-class role models, through its Organizational Excellence[®] Standard and its multi-level progressive methodology. As a national authority on Quality, Healthy Workplace[®], and Mental Health at Work[®], Excellence Canada provides excellence frameworks, standards, and independent verification and certification to organizations of all sizes and in all sectors. It is also the custodian and adjudicator of the *Canada Awards for Excellence* program, of which the Patron is the Governor General of Canada.





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About WESTON FOREST

<u>Weston Forest</u> is a leading distributor and remanufacturer of softwood & hardwood lumber and specialty panel products, serving North America's industrial and construction sectors. A trusted partner since 1953, Weston's remanufacturing and inventory management services help customers create specified crating, packaging, pallets and boxes, and other niche wood products that are essential for the production or shipment of Industrial goods. The company's logistics and just-in-time fulfilment capabilities support truss manufacturing, framing, lagging & shoring, concrete forming and other processes that are crucial to commercial and residential construction and large infrastructure projects.

Weston Forest is honoured to be recognized repeatedly by Deloitte as one of Canada's Best Managed Companies, by the Canadian Business Growth 500 as one of Canada's Fastest-Growing Companies, by Waterstone Human Capital as one of Canada's Most Admired Corporate Cultures, and by Excellence Canada as a recipient of its Canadian Business Excellence Award for Private Businesses. In addition, Weston Forest received the Mississauga Board of Trade 2019 Large Business of the Year Award and has been featured on the Globe & Mail's inaugural list of Canada's Top Growing Companies.

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