

News Release

WELLPOINT SIGNS CONTRACT WITH BIRCH MOUNTAIN RESOURCES EXTENDING REACH IN MINING SECTOR

CALGARY, Alberta, February 6, 2006.

WellPoint Systems Inc. ("WellPoint"), today announced that the company has signed another contract with a growth-oriented company within the mining industry, this time with Birch Mountain Resources Ltd. ("Birch Mountain"). This arrangement represents WellPoint's fifth contract signed in the mining sector over the past fourteen months.

As was the case with the other companies that have been added to WellPoint's growing list of mining clientele over the past six months, the professional services team from WellPoint will work with Birch Mountain to implement a financial, project and asset management solution based on the Microsoft Dynamics AX platform.

"Regardless of whether a company is mining for minerals, precious metals or petroleum, the financial management characteristics of that company are quite similar to those within other mining operations" says Tom Mawhinney, President of WellPoint Systems. "The ability of our solution to align tightly to those requirements is a differentiating quality for WellPoint that this industry is starting to recognize with increasing regularity."

About Birch Mountain Resources Inc.

Birch Mountain is developing the industrial mineral potential of their extensive mineral properties in the oil sands region of northeastern Alberta. Limestone from the Muskeg Valley Quarry and Hammerstone will reliably supply the region's long-term requirements for aggregates for construction, road building, concrete and asphalt. Reagent grade limestone will be marketed for a variety of uses including environmental remediation of air emissions and water treatment from oil sands processing and upgrading facilities. Birch Mountain believes the strong global demand for oil and the heightened profile of Alberta's oil sands will ensure long-term demand for limestone products from the MVQ and Hammerstone Project. Reference: www.birchmountain.com.

About WellPoint Systems Inc.

WellPoint Systems provides premier software and related services for managing critical operations within the energy industry. Aligning tightly with Microsoft Corporation, WellPoint is the only Independent Software Vendor (ISV) and Microsoft Dynamics partner in the energy sector. It is breaking new ground with the creation of a more comprehensive, integrated energy software suite based on existing Microsoft ERP technology that utilizes state-of-the-art Dynamics AX(R) and .NET architectures. WellPoint became a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner in 2005.

Founded in 1997, Calgary based WellPoint Systems also has operations in Houston, Texas through its subsidiary company, WellPoint Systems, Inc.

WellPoint is publicly traded on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol WPS.

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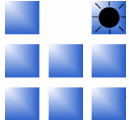
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