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Yukon's Mining Industry Invests in Business with Project YFN 2010 Team

The Council of Yukon First Nations (CYFN) "Project YFN 2010" is pleased to announce that both Western Copper Corporation and Northern Freegold Resources Ltd. have joined the growing Project Team as Shared Title Sponsors of the 'YFN Business Showcase & Development Program'.

"We are very pleased to support Project YFN 2010 and aid in the development of new leaders and entrepreneurs in the Yukon First Nation community.", said Dale Corman, CEO of Western Copper.

"As Yukoners, we are proud of the entrepreneurial spirit of Yukon First Nations. Northern Freegold is supporting this program so that the rest of the world will get to see the bright future of the Yukon" said Susan Craig, President of Northern Freegold Resources Ltd.

The YFN 2010 Program entitled 'YFN Business Showcase & Development Program' includes marketing support, mentoring opportunities, a showcase in the Four Host First Nations Aboriginal Pavilion in Vancouver, British Columbia for the month of February 2010 and legacy initiatives. In partnership with Yukon First Nations Development Corporations and organizations, Project YFN will provide web support, identify mentoring and on-the-job training opportunities for our youth, and facilitate legacy discussions between the business community and the entire YFN 2010 Team.

"These two companies have joined forces to invest in our future", said Council of Yukon First Nations Grand Chief, Andy Carvill. "The Business Showcase includes so many elements for successful business growth – now and in the future – and we are delighted that our entrepreneurs will have opportunities to work with both Western Copper Corporation and Northern Freegold Resources Ltd."

Project YFN 2010 is a tremendous people and product development endeavor. Since CYFN signed a Memorandum of Intent (MOI) with Four Host First Nations (FHFN), the Yukon First Nations business community is working together to showcase success stories and set the foundation for many years of business support and development.

Western Copper Corporation and Northern Freegold Resources Ltd. join a growing team of supporters, friends and contributors. Both the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency (CanNor) and the Yukon Government have contributed over \$1 million total. For more information about the Project, schedules, the team, sponsors and more, please go to www.yfn2010.org or contact:

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