



NEWS RELEASE

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BLACK DIAMOND ANNOUNCES HORN RIVER CONTRACT

Calgary, Alberta — (TSX: BDI.UN) Black Diamond Group Limited ("Black Diamond" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that Black Diamond Dene Limited Partnership (the "Partnership") has been awarded a contract to provide a construction accommodations camp consisting of approximately 350 beds to Spectra Energy. The contract has a minimum term of 18 months commencing July 2010 and will generate approximately \$15 million in revenue to the Partnership. This is a turnkey operation being provided to Spectra Energy inclusive of all installation and maintenance as well as the provision of third party catering operations. The camp will accommodate construction related personnel in association with infrastructure construction in the Horn River area of northeastern British Columbia. The Partnership is a 50/50 equity based partnership between a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and the Fort Nelson First Nation.

Black Diamond is an Alberta company, the principal undertaking of which, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Black Diamond Limited Partnership, and through its 50% equity participation in Black Diamond Dene Limited Partnership, is to rent modular structures for use as workforce accommodation and temporary workspace, rent various types of oilfield equipment used in the exploration and production of oil and gas, and to provide complementary services including transportation, installation, dismantling, repair and maintenance of modular structures and oilfield equipment, as well as related services through three operating divisions consisting of Black Diamond Camps, BOXX Modular and Black Diamond Energy Services.

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