



## **NORTH WEST COMPANY FUND** ***PRESS RELEASE***

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**WINNIPEG** - October 30, 2001 – The Trustees of North West Company Fund (the “Fund”) today declared a quarterly cash interest distribution of \$0.375 per unit payable December 15, 2001 to unitholders of record on November 15, 2001.

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The North West Company Inc. (NWC) is North America’s leading provider of products and services to northern communities across Canada and Alaska. NWC is a multi-channel retailer operating 154 food, family apparel and general merchandise stores under the *Northern*, *NorthMart* and *Giant Tiger* (under a master franchise) banners plus *Selections* catalogue in Canada, and 23 *AC Value Centers* in Alaska.

NWC trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "NWF.UN".

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