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Giant Tiger Store to ROAR into Neepawa, Manitoba

Winnipeg, June 7, 2010: The North West Company LP ("NWC") today officially announced that the opening date for its new Giant Tiger store in Neepawa, Manitoba will be June 19th. The 11,800 square foot store is located at 300 Mountain Avenue and will be NWC's thirteenth store in Manitoba following openings in Winnipeg, Thompson, Morden, Brandon and The Pas.

"We're very pleased to be opening a Giant Tiger all-Canadian discount store in Neepawa," said Edward Kennedy, President and CEO of The North West Company. "Neepawa is a vibrant regional centre and we feel that Giant Tiger will be a great addition to the available shopping choices. We've had a terrific response from customers since we opened our first Manitoba Giant Tiger store nine years ago. Now we look forward to bringing Neepawa and area shoppers the same convenience and outstanding selection of food, fashion merchandise, everyday products and low prices that our customers have come to expect from us."

"We are all very excited about our new location in Neepawa," says Andy Gross, President of Ottawa-based Giant Tiger Stores Limited. "Customers in and around Neepawa will find us to be an affordable and convenient destination for fashion clothing, groceries and everyday basic needs. Your new Giant Tiger, your all-Canadian family discount store, will be a clean, neat, bright, friendly, and fun place to shop. We have everyday low prices and great values on current fashions and footwear for the entire family. We also carry groceries, frozen food and dairy products along with great home decorating items, health and beauty products and cleaning items. Our customers tell us that shopping at Giant Tiger is like a "Treasure Hunt" because of the incredible new merchandise arriving daily and the unexpected Great Deals they find in store every time they visit," says Gross.

Giant Tiger has a buying office in Montreal, Canada's fashion capital. Clothes to keep you dressed in style will arrive at the store every day of the year. At Giant Tiger, each store has control over the merchandise that is purchased to best suit the needs of its community. "You'll find that the identical quality fashion items offered by the major chain stores are sold at Giant Tiger at remarkably lower prices," says Gross.

The North West Company and Giant Tiger have a Master Franchise Agreement which grants NWC the right to open and operate Giant Tiger stores in western Canada.

Giant Tiger, Canada's leading junior discount store chain, was established in 1961 in Ottawa and has grown to 193 locations in Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Giant Tiger Stores Limited is a privately held company.

The North West Company is a leading retailer of everyday products and services to remote communities and urban neighbourhoods in Canada, Alaska, the South Pacific and the Caribbean. North West operates 227 stores under the trading names Northern, NorthMart, Giant Tiger, AC Value Center and Cost-U-Less.

The North West Company LP is a subsidiary of North West Company Fund (the "Fund"). Units of the Fund trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "NWF.UN".

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