

The North West Company is a leading retailer of food and everyday products and services to rural communities and urban neighbourhoods in Canada, Alaska, the South Pacific and the Caribbean.

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## Northern Fort Nelson Closure

**Winnipeg, MB, September 21, 2017** – It is with regret that The North West Company announced today the closure of its Northern Store in Fort Nelson, British Columbia effective October 30, 2017.

"The store was no longer sustainable as a result of ongoing financial losses, which resulted in the difficult decision to close the store. We appreciate the hard work and dedication our employees have demonstrated over the years," stated Chris Santschi, Vice President, National Region.

"On behalf of The North West Company and the staff and management at Northern Fort Nelson, we would like to thank the community and customers for their support over the many years we have been in the market." added Santschi.

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## **About The North West Company**

North West is a retailer serving rural communities and urban neighbourhoods in Canada, Alaska, the South Pacific and Caribbean. We are committed to helping our customers live better by bringing them the best products and services together with a tradition of community support. North West's Northern and NorthMart stores are the largest local private employer of Indigenous people in Canada, with over 3,100 employees and an annual payroll exceeding \$65 million.

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