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National

- **Annual Conference and Municipal Expo of Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)**
Montreal, June 2-3, 2006
On June 2 and 3, The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) held its Annual Conference and Municipal Expo in Montreal, Quebec. This year, CWC's Wood WORKS! team displayed a booth featuring wood as a renewable, economical and sensible choice for commercial construction projects. The event offered a unique opportunity to meet influential community leaders and promote the use of wood in commercial construction projects.

Congrès Annuel et Expo Municipale de la FCM

Montréal, du 2 au 3 Juin, 2006

La Fédération des Municipalités canadiennes (FCM) a tenu son Congrès Annuel et Expo Municipale à Montréal, Québec les 2 au 3 juin. Cette année, l'équipe de Branché sur le bois avait un kiosque présentant le bois comme un choix renouvelable, économique pour les projets de construction commerciale. L'événement a offert une opportunité unique de rencontrer des chefs de communauté influents et promouvoir l'utilisation du bois dans des projets de construction commerciale.

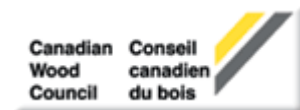
- **2010 Olympics**
Wood WORKS! continues to work with the Olympic Oval design team in providing technical support as necessary, to ensure wood is being showcased in the building. A total innovative wood roof option is being considered by the oval design team. Wood WORKS! is also working closely with the architects and engineers involved with the other 2010 facilities and provides technical advice to the construction team to ensure wood solutions are used on all 2010 structures.

Les Jeux olympiques 2010

Branché sur le bois travaille de près avec l'équipe de design de la patinoire Olympique en fournissant le soutien technique nécessaire pour assurer que le bois occupe une position importante dans les bâtiments Olympiques. Une option innovatrice de toit en bois est actuellement considérée comme alternative par l'équipe de conception de l'ovale olympique. De plus, Branché sur le bois travaille avec les architectes et les ingénieurs impliqués avec les autres bâtiments pour 2010 et fournit le support technique à l'équipe de construction pour garantir que des solutions en bois soient utilisées sur toutes les structures de 2010.

- **Wood Design & Building Expo**
The inaugural Wood Design & Building Expo will be presented on November 6, 7, & 8 in Anaheim, California. This new event will showcase wood and wood related products to over 2000 architects, engineers, builders, contractors, etc. from North America. The event produced by the Canadian Wood Council will offer over 120 seminars on various wood related topics.

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Feature Stories

[Wood WORKS! BC influences
School Planners](#)

Upcoming Events

[Ontario Wood WORKS! Gala -
October 16, 2006 - Toronto
Design Exchange, Toronto](#)

[Wood Solutions Fair - Toronto,
October 17, 2006](#)

If your company or association would like to participate and/or exhibit at the event, please contact Iain Thomas at: 1-312-673-4816. Wood WORKS! will participate and exhibit at the event. For more information, please visit www.wooddesignandbuildingexpo.com

L' exposition "Wood Design & Building Expo"

La première édition du "Wood Design & Building Expo" sera présentée les 6, 7 et 8 novembre prochain à Anaheim en Californie. Ce nouvel événement démontrera à plus de 2000 architectes et à ingénieurs de l'Amérique du Nord les possibilités exceptionnelles qu'offrent les produits du bois pour la construction. Cet événement qui est produit par le Conseil canadien du bois, offrira plus de 120 séminaires qui porteront sur différents thèmes reliés à l'utilisation du bois. Si votre compagnie ou association est intéressée à participer ou à exposer à cet événement, veuillez communiquer avec Iain Thomas au 1-312-673-4816. Branché sur le bois participera et exposera à cet événement. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez visiter le site Web www.wooddesignandbuildingexpo.com

- **Wood WORKS! Web Site**

The Wood WORKS! web site is being revamped. New information will be added and a new user-friendly site will be developed. The new site should be ready to be launched later this year. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Jennifer Duthie at: jduthie@cw.ca

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! est en cours de mise à jour. De nouveaux renseignements seront ajoutés et un nouveau site facile à utiliser est en voie de développement. Le nouveau site devrait être lancé plus tard cette année. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Jennifer Duthie à : jduthie@cw.ca

- **Wood WORKS! On-line Project Tracking System (OPTS)**

The long-term strategy for the project tracking system is being finalized and a new system will be developed and implemented later this year.

Système en ligne de suivi des projets

La stratégie à long terme pour l'OPTS (Système en ligne de suivi des projets) est terminée et un nouveau système sera développé et implémenté vers la fin de cette année.

British Columbia

- **2006 Fall Luncheon Conferences**

The dates have been set for the popular Fall Luncheon Conference series. The 2006 events will take place on November 28, 29 and December 1 in Victoria, Vancouver and Kelowna respectively. The three venues have been lined up in one week this year in order to include an international speaker for the Kelowna audience. Michael Keller, principal structural engineer from MIKECON Consulting Industrial Service, Germany has confirmed that he will be joining us as a speaker for these events.

- **In-House Seminar series on Structural Wood Systems**

Robert Malczyk was the guest instructor in the latest In-House Seminars sponsored by Wood WORKS! BC where he presented a three part series on structural wood systems for Small, Medium, and Large buildings to a firm in Victoria. The series takes the architect through the process of using wood elements in the three sizes of wood buildings starting with the light frame wood system commonly used in Part 9 buildings such as multi-family structures and small commercial structures where the fire code is easy to handle allowing the architect to consider more than an architectural signature

Potential Wood Projects Pursued by Wood WORKS!

For more information on the projects, please contact the provincial directors by clicking on the project's link.

British Columbia:

[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

[Mission Aquatic Center, Kelowna](#)

[South Okanagan Entertainment Center, Penticton](#)

2010 Olympic Venues:

[Olympic Speed Skating Oval, Richmond, BC](#)

[Whistler Sliding Center, Whistler](#)

Alberta:

[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

[Community Hall, La Crete, AB](#)

[Evergreen Park Conference Pavilion, Grande Prairie, AB](#)

Ontario:

[Kitchener Library](#)

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Quebec:

[Timhortons](#)

and begin to expose the structural elements bit by bit to develop a true structural signature. The series progresses through medium buildings with most of the already North American flavor of structural wood elements commonly found today. Then in the third session he brings the European concepts to light suggesting with attention to details and the acceptance of non-textbook wood solutions that the wood structures more commonly seen there could become the wood structures of the future here as the confidence in these wood systems grows here in BC.

- **Upcoming Plans**

Wood *WORKS!* BC is planning to do a cluster series through the interior early in the New Year. In the meantime Robert is completing his second set of in-house seminars in a firm in Vancouver.

Alberta

- **Case Study**

Report still in the writing - Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building in the south side of Edmonton at the Research Park.

[Sample Image Attached](#)

- **Conference / Trade Event**

Still performing follow-ups from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) in Montreal, QC held June 2-4, 2006. Very positive event in terms of contacts and projects.

- **2005/06 Alberta Wood *WORKS!* Annual Report**

Brief Summary of Progress and Issues relevant to Alberta Wood *WORKS!* operations. (Report Attached) - Brief Summary of Progress and Issues relevant to Alberta Wood *WORKS!* operations.

[Report Attached](#)

- **Street Furniture Event in Edmonton Alberta**

Alberta Wood *WORKS!* was prominent as a participant in this Edmonton architectural event that brings together design teams to construct a piece of street furniture. Alberta Wood *WORKS!* provided the wood materials to the design teams to ensure wood products were predominant in the designs.

[Image of Designs Attached](#)

- **Business Plan**

Alberta Wood *WORKS!* has commenced the development of a 3 year Business Plan and recently held two half day workshops hosting a number of design, building, forestry industry, research and government professionals to review current and proposed activities. The workshops represented step 1 in the review and consultation process toward a final 3 year Business Plan.

Ontario

- **Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Conference**

Parry Sound, ON, June 21 – 23, 2006

Pauline Rochefort, President of CWC, was luncheon speaker at the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Conference, in Parry Sound, ON, on June 21 – 23, 2006. The Conference gathered close to 150 mayors, city councillors and economic development officers from Canada and the United States. Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago and Mayor David Miller of Toronto, Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively of the Initiative, were among the guests. The organization was formed last year to advance sustainability, water quality and conservation, and waterfront vitality along the Great Lakes. The Conference took place in The Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts, winner of the Wood *WORKS!* Commercial Award in 2003. "Wood is the natural choice for construction projects along

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the Great Lakes”, said Pauline Rochefort and referred to the abundance of exposed wood in the performance hall. Wood *WORKS!* Ontario also participated with a trade booth at the event.

- **Presentation to Nipissing University/Canadore College committee**
Wood *WORKS!* Ontario did a presentation to the planning committee of Nipissing University and Canadore College in North Bay regarding the construction of a new Library and a Student Centre. It is looking favourable for wood use in both facilities.
- **Project leads**
Wood *WORKS!* Ontario is actively pursuing several leads in the province, including two northern Ontario hospitals, three schools, two municipal offices and various cultural/interpretive centres.
- **6th Annual Wood Awards Gala and Wood Week in Toronto**
Things are shaping up for the Wood *WORKS!* Awards Gala at the Design Exchange in Toronto on October 16th. We are also pleased to offer a series of wood-related activities in connection with the Gala this year: Wood exhibit and workshops on October 15th - 21st at the Design Exchange, guided tour to Credit Valley Hospital on October 16th and The Wood Solutions Fair on Tuesday, October 17th, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

Québec

- ***Gilbert Tardif a été reconnu***
Lors d'une réunion du Conseil d'administration de Branché sur le bois ! à Sainte-Foy, M. Gilbert Tardif a été reconnu pour son rôle dans le projet durant les quatre dernières années. Ses contributions comme président pendant cette période sont allées bien au-delà du mandat d'un an pour lequel il s'était inscrit. Sa persévérance a permis au projet de grandir, partant d'un projet pilote dans la région du Saguenay-Lac-St-Jean, jusqu'à un projet qui implique tous les niveaux de l'industrie et qui est répandu sur l'ensemble du territoire québécois. M. Tardif siège toujours sur le Conseil d'administration. [Image M.Tardif.](#)
- **Gilbert Tardif recognized**
At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of *Branché sur le bois !* in Sainte-Foy, Mr. Gilbert Tardif was recognized for his role in the Quebec project over the past four years. His contributions as president during that period went far beyond the one-year mandate for which he originally signed on. His perseverance helped to expand the *Branché !* program from a pilot project in the Saguenay-Lac-St-Jean region to a program involving all levels of industry across the Quebec territory. Mr. Tardif remains as a member on the Board of Directors. [Image M.Tardif.](#)
- ***Conférences Boîte à lunch***
Branché sur le bois ! a donné des conférences à des architectes et à des technologues le 26 avril au bureau de ABCP Architectes à St-Hyacinthe et le 16 mai au bureau d'ARCOP à Montréal. La composante non résidentielle des activités de ces deux firmes est très importante. Les vingt participants rencontrés chez ABCP et les 12 participants rencontrés chez ARCOP se sont montrés très intéressés aux possibilités qu'offre le bois pour leurs projets. Ils ont demandé à recevoir plus de renseignements sur la certification forestière et sur les coûts d'exploitation et d'entretien des bâtiments en bois comparés aux mêmes coûts pour les bâtiments en acier ou en béton et ce, après la livraison du produit.
Lunch Box conferences:
Branché sur le bois ! held conferences for architects and technologists on

April 26th at the Ste-Hyacinth offices of ABCP Architects and on May 16th at the Montreal offices of ARCOP. Both firms have strong non-residential components to their work. The twenty participants at ABCP and twelve participants at ARCOP were very interested in the possibilities for wood in their projects. They requested additional information on forest certification and on operating and maintenance cost comparisons between wood, steel and concrete buildings post delivery.

- ***Présentation à l'assemblée de la FPS (section nord-est États-Unis et section de l'est du Canada -- Fredericton, N.-B.***

La directrice de Branché sur le bois ! était une conférencière invitée à la séance technique de l'assemblée annuelle conjointe des sections nord-est des États-Unis et de l'est du Canada de la Forest Products Society qui s'est tenu le 1er juin à Fredericton au N.-B. Trente délégués oeuvrant dans l'industrie du bois (industriels, chercheurs et universitaires) du nord-est des États-Unis et de l'est du Canada ont participé à cette séance.

Présentation at FPS ECS and NES (US) AGM - Fredericton, N.B.

Branché sur le bois ! director participated as a guest speaker during the Technical Session of the Forest Products Society's joint Annual General Meeting of the Eastern Canadian and Northeast Sections on the 1st of June in Fredericton, N. B. Thirty delegates from the northeastern United States and from eastern Canada representing the wood products industry, researchers and academia participated in the session.

- ***L'étude de cas sur les coûts d'assurances est commencée***

Les firmes TRS et Lowndes qui ont formé un partenariat pour réaliser une étude de cas sur les coûts d'assurance pour Branché sur le bois ! ont commencé leur travail. Technical Risk Services Inc. est une société d'experts-conseils offrant tous les services de contrôle de risques qui, avec ses 3 directeurs principaux, possède un total de plus de 85 années d'expérience dans l'industrie de l'assurance. Lowndes Lambert est l'un des plus importants courtiers indépendants au monde en assurance et en réassurance. Le projet devrait se terminer à l'automne 2006. L'objectif de cette étude est de comparer et de mieux comprendre les coûts d'assurance basés sur les risques de feu pendant et après la construction de bâtiments en bois, en acier ou en béton dans des projets non résidentiels. Cette étude mettra l'accent sur des projets dans trois villes du Québec, une ville de l'Ontario et une ville de la Colombie-Britannique.

Insurance Case Study commenced

The TRS-Lowndes partnership has commenced an insurance case study for Branché sur le bois ! Technical Risk Services Inc. is a full service, risk-control consulting firm with over 85 years of insurance industry experience between its 3 principals. Lowndes Lambert is one of the world's leading independent insurance and reinsurance brokers. The project should be completed in the fall of 2006. The goal of the study being undertaken is to come to an understanding of comparative insurance costs during and post construction based on fire risks for non-residential construction projects, whether built in wood, steel or concrete. The study will focus on projects in three cities in Quebec, one in Ontario and one in British Columbia.

- ***Branché sur le bois ! a un kiosque à l'assemblée annuelle du CFIQ***
Branché sur le bois ! et les représentants du CCB ont tenu un kiosque à l'assemblée annuelle du Conseil de l'industrie forestière du Québec qui a eu lieu à Québec au début du mois de mai. Ils ont fait d'importants contacts qui pourraient potentiellement avoir une influence sur l'utilisation du bois dans la construction non résidentielle au Québec. La directrice de Branché sur le bois ! a participé à l'une des séances d'experts et a pu mettre en évidence l'importance de créer une demande sur les marchés pour les produits du

bois et ce, comme principal moyen pour essayer de préserver les emplois des travailleurs de l'industrie forestière.

Branché sur le bois! exhibits at QFIC AGM

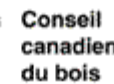
Branché sur le bois ! and CWC representatives manned a kiosk at the Quebec Council of Forest Industry's Annual General Meeting held in early May in Quebec City. Important contacts were made with the potential for affecting wood use in non-residential construction in Quebec. Branché sur le bois ! participation at one of the panel sessions allowed Branché !'s director to position the importance of creating a demand for wood products in the marketplace as a key effort in helping to save workers' jobs in the forest industry.

- **Plan de travail 2006-2007 finalisé – Demande de financement en cours**
Le Comité exécutif de Branché sur le bois ! a finalisé le Plan de travail pour les activités prévues en 2006-2007 selon le financement attendu. Le Conseil canadien du bois et l'Association québécoise des fabricants de structures en bois ont confirmé leur contribution financière au projet, dont la contribution de l'AQFSB provient du Ministère des ressources naturelles et de la Faune du Québec. Une demande de financement pour compléter le budget requis pour les activités de 2006-2007 est actuellement évaluée par Développement économique Canada.

Work Plan for 2006-2007 activities finalized – Funding efforts underway

The Executive Committee for Branché sur le bois ! has finalized the Work Plan for 2006-2007 activities according to a foreseen budget. Funding has been confirmed from the Canadian Wood Council and the AQFSB, the latter coming from the Quebec Ministry of Natural Resources and Fauna. A request to fund the remaining amount needed to fill the budget for 2006-2007 activities is currently being evaluated by Economic Development Canada.

Wood WORKS! would like to thank its project partners.
Branché sur le bois remercie ses partenaires.



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Le projet Branché sur le bois est une initiative nationale, lancée par l'industrie et menée par le Conseil canadien du bois, afin de promouvoir l'utilisation du bois dans la construction commerciale, industrielle et institutionnelle. Le Bulletin Branché sur le bois s'avère notre méthode de communication pour vous informer des activités, résultats et succès du projet au cours du mois, en plus de vous mettre au courant des événements à venir.

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