

Jewett-Cameron Reports EPS of \$.12 for the First Quarter of Fiscal 2009

North Plains, Oregon, January 13, 2009 - Jewett-Cameron Trading Company Ltd. (NASDAQ: JCTCF; TSX: JCT) today reported financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2009, which is the three months ended November 30, 2008.

Sales for the first quarter of 2009 totaled \$10.8 million compared to sales of \$14.0 million for the first quarter of 2008. Net income for the first quarter of 2009 was \$293 thousand or \$.12 per diluted share compared to net income of \$374 thousand or \$.16 per diluted share in the same period a year ago.

Jewett-Cameron's financial condition continues to be strong. At November 30, 2008 the company had cash of \$7.3 million and total debt of only \$2.3 million. The company had no borrowing against its \$5.0 million line of credit.

About Jewett-Cameron Trading Company Ltd.

Jewett-Cameron Trading Company is a holding company that operates through subsidiary companies as follows. Jewett-Cameron Lumber Corporation's business consists of warehouse distribution and direct sales of wood products and specialty metal products to home centers and other retailers. Greenwood Products is a processor and distributor of industrial wood and other specialty building products principally to customers in the marine and transportation industries. MSI-PRO is an importer and distributor of pneumatic air tools, industrial clamps, and the Avenger Products line of sawblades and other products. Jewett-Cameron Seed Company is a processor and distributor of agricultural seeds. The area of most significant growth within Jewett-Cameron is the manufacture and distribution of specialty metal products like dog kennels, gate support systems, and perimeter fencing.

JEWETT-CAMERON TRADING COMPANY LTD.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Month Periods Ended	
	November 30,	
	2008	2007
SALES	\$10,782,063	\$14,005,330
COST OF SALES	8,565,598	11,516,955
GROSS PROFIT	2,216,465	2,488,375
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	554,125	631,075
Depreciation and amortization	79,401	79,006
Wages and employee benefits	1,061,884	1,118,421
	<u>1,695,410</u>	<u>1,828,502</u>
Income from operations	521,055	659,873
OTHER ITEMS		
Interest and other income	11,344	-
Interest expense	(36,924)	(42,208)
	<u>(25,580)</u>	<u>(42,208)</u>
Income before income taxes	495,475	617,665
Income taxes	202,000	243,750
Net income	\$ 293,475	\$ 373,915
Basic earnings per common share	\$.12	\$.16
Diluted earnings per common share	\$.12	\$.16
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:		
Basic	2,390,977	2,388,258
Diluted	2,390,977	2,391,265

JEWETT-CAMERON TRADING COMPANY LTD.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	November 30, 2008 (Unaudited)	August 31, 2008 (Audited)
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,277,532	\$ 5,758,479
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$43 (August 31, 2008 - \$10,474)	3,293,534	5,405,861
Inventory, net of allowance of \$100,000 (August 31, 2008 - \$100,000)	8,332,732	8,068,284
Prepaid expenses	91,986	138,957
Prepaid income taxes	-	13,753
Total current assets	18,995,784	19,385,334
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,814,000	1,861,652
Intangible assets, net	720,676	740,382
Deferred income taxes	204,810	192,870
Total assets	\$21,735,270	\$22,180,238
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,183,458	\$ 1,585,844
Accrued liabilities	729,852	1,245,154
Accrued income taxes	195,875	-
Current portion of long term liabilities	368,931	367,807
Total current liabilities	2,478,116	3,198,805
Long term liabilities		
Promissory note	1,933,250	1,951,004
Note payable	-	-
Total long term liabilities	1,933,250	1,951,004
Total liabilities	4,411,366	5,149,809
Contingent liabilities and commitments		
Stockholders' equity		
Capital stock		
Authorized		
20,000,000 common shares, without par value		
10,000,000 preferred shares, without par value		
Issued		
2,390,977 common shares (August 31, 2008 – 2,390,977)	2,256,112	2,256,112
Additional paid-in capital	600,804	600,804
Retained earnings	14,466,988	14,173,513
Total stockholders' equity	17,323,904	17,030,429
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$21,735,270	\$22,180,238

JEWETT-CAMERON TRADING COMPANY LTD.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

	Three Month Periods Ended November 30,	
	2008	2007
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$ 293,475	\$ 373,915
Items not involving an outlay of cash:		
Depreciation and amortization	79,401	79,006
Deferred income taxes	(11,940)	-
Changes in non-cash working capital items:		
Decrease in accounts receivable	2,112,327	1,588,468
(Increase) decrease in inventory	(264,448)	1,668,017
Decrease in prepaid expenses	46,970	48,816
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(917,688)	(1,142,902)
Increase in accrued income taxes	209,629	243,750
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,547,726</u>	<u>2,859,070</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	<u>(12,043)</u>	<u>(30,837)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(12,043)</u>	<u>(30,837)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayment of bank indebtedness	-	(1,059)
Promissory note	(16,630)	(15,582)
Proceeds from issuance of stock	<u>-</u>	<u>56,097</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>(16,630)</u>	<u>39,456</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,519,053	2,867,689
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	<u>5,758,479</u>	<u>257,131</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 7,277,532	\$ 3,124,820

JEWETT-CAMERON TRADING COMPANY LTD.
SEGMENT INFORMATION
(Unaudited)

Following is a summary of segment information for the three months ended November 30:

	2008	2007
Sales to unaffiliated customers:		
Industrial wood products	\$ 3,281,558	\$8,118,301
Lawn, garden, pet and other	5,526,956	3,502,370
Seed processing and sales	1,710,648	2,117,708
Industrial tools	262,901	266,951
	<u>\$ 10,782,063</u>	<u>\$14,005,330</u>
Income (loss) from operations:		
Industrial wood products	\$ (101,707)	\$ 420,076
Lawn, garden, pet and other	513,329	145,250
Seed processing and sales	119,732	103,068
Industrial tools	17,295	12,969
Unallocated overhead	(27,594)	(21,490)
	<u>\$ 521,055</u>	<u>\$ 659,873</u>

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior years' financial statements to conform to the classifications used in the current year.

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Source: Jewett-Cameron Trading Company Ltd.