



## ***First Canadian Title a Top Employer in Oakville According to Local Residents***

**OAKVILLE, ON, August 28, 2006** – First Canadian Title – Canada’s leading provider of title insurance and real estate-related products and services – was named a Top Employer in the *Oakville Beaver 2006 Readers’ Selection Awards*. During the month of July, readers of the Oakville Beaver nominated their favourite Oakville companies in a number of categories and First Canadian Title came up with stellar numbers in the area of Top Employer. Sixty per cent of First Canadian Title’s employee base at Home Office resides in Oakville.

The commitment to being a top employer is one of the objectives in First Canadian Title’s strategic plan. “This is key to the success of our organization and has a significant impact on the quality of the customer service experience we offer and work-life balance that we encourage employees to enjoy,” said Patrick Chetcuti, President, First Canadian Title.

A number of amenities and programs are in place to maintain a supportive workplace for employees including: an open-concept work environment that encourages new thinking, breaks down communication barriers and promotes team spirit; state-of-the art office furniture and audio and visual equipment; a fully equipped exercise centre, a full-service restaurant style cafeteria and catering facility; free café stations around the building; and top-rate health benefits, compensation packages and in-house training.

This recognition is not a first for the company: in 2005, First Canadian Title was named one of *Canada’s Top 100 Employers* by Mediacorp Canada Inc. Not only was First Canadian Title the only title insurance company to be named to the list, it was also among the Top10 companies for promoting women into management roles and Top 10 for employing young people ages 30 to 34 in management positions.

First Canadian Title’s employee base has more than quintupled in the past four years to over 1,000 employees across Canada. To accommodate future growth, the company is expanding its 80,000 square foot Home Office facility in Oakville by 35,000 square feet. Completion of the expansion is expected for May 2007.

### **About First Canadian Title**

First Canadian Title is Canada’s leading provider of title insurance for residential and commercial real estate transactions and other related products and services. Established in 1991, First Canadian Title pioneered the concept of title insurance in Canada, and now issues hundreds of thousands of new policies each year. As a member of the First American Family of Companies, First Canadian Title’s financial strength, stability and commitment to service excellence are second to none in the industry. Based in Oakville, Ontario, First Canadian Title employs more than 1,000 people from coast to coast. Customers include more than 15,000 lawyers and notaries nationwide, every major Canadian chartered bank, other lending institutions, real estate professionals, mortgage brokers, and builders.

For more information about First Canadian Title, visit [www.firstcanadiantitle.com](http://www.firstcanadiantitle.com)

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