



Bennett Environmental Inc. Announces Final Shipments from Storage Vaults at Pottersburg Creek

Oakville ON, (December 16, 2009), For Immediate Release – Bennett Environmental Inc. (TSX:BEV) (the "Company" or "BEI") today announced that it expects to receive the final shipments of contaminated soil from the storage vaults at Pottersburg Creek ("Pottersburg") this week. The Ontario government had previously announced the successful conclusion of the removal of over 104,000 tonnes of contaminated soil from the vaults, www.news.ontario.ca/ene/en/2009/12/last-truckload-of-pcbs-leaves-london-site.html. The Company expects that there will be some volume of contaminated soil found outside of the vaults that will be shipped for disposal at a later date.

On December 15, 2009, the Company had approximately 75,000 tonnes of material in storage at its Saint Ambroise, Quebec facility. Of this amount over 95% was from the Pottersburg site. The Company recognizes revenue as the material is processed.

The Company has operated its Saint Ambroise facility since early April processing material from a variety of projects, with a one week planned maintenance shutdown in November.

Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this press release and in certain documents incorporated by reference into this press release constitute forward-looking statements. The use of any of the words "anticipate", "continue", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "should", "believe" and "confident" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements. BEI believes that the expectations reflected in those forward-looking statements are reasonable but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking statements included in, or incorporated by reference into, this press release should not be unduly relied upon. These statements speak only as of the date of this press release. BEI undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

About Bennett Environmental Inc.

Bennett Environmental Inc. is a North American leader in high temperature treatment services for the treatment of contaminated soil and has provided thermal solutions to contamination problems throughout Canada and the U.S. Bennett Environmental's technology provides for the safe, economical and permanent solution to contaminated soil. Independent testing has consistently proven that the technology operates well within the most stringent criteria in North America. For information, please visit the Bennett Environmental website at: www.bennettenv.com.

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