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## Statement from Don Demens, President & Chief Executive Officer, Western Forest Products.

We are saddened about the tragic incident on the rail line in Woss, BC this morning.

At this time, we express our deepest concern and condolences to the families, friends, and coworkers of those whose lives were lost this morning and who are injured. Our hearts and minds are with them.

The safety and security of our staff and the communities where we work are paramount. We are cooperating fully with all authorities and will continue to do so.

I would like to thank the numerous rescue personnel who have stepped up to assist. On behalf of our staff, friends and families, thank you for your thoughts and words of support in these difficult circumstance – they are deeply appreciated. We humbly ask others to respect the privacy of families and staff at this time.

We will provide updates as information becomes available.

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