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**New Website Launch
Site to Offer Information for Homebuyers**

September 26, 2005 - Calgary, Alberta – The Alberta New Home Warranty Program is pleased to announce the launch of its new website. The website found at: www.albertanewhomewarranty.com has been updated to provide unique services to homebuyers.

The site's home page allows visitors to identify themselves as homebuyers and to then enter a section of the site devoted to educating them about the experience of buying a new home. This homebuyer portion of the site provides a range of information about choosing a builder and about the different stages of constructing and maintaining a new home.

The resources available to homebuyers are extensive. Information on this site includes:

- **Downloadable guidebooks about purchasing single family homes or condominiums**
- **Tips on how to evaluate and select a builder**
- **Search for a builder and read information about that builder**
- **Program Protections and Dispute Resolution Services**
- **What to Expect at Possession and the First Year**
- **Downloadable manuals and brochures about home maintenance and workmanship and materials standards**
- **Questions Frequently Asked of the Program's Consumer Representatives**

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The Alberta New Home Warranty Program (the “Program”) was founded in 1974 by Alberta home builders to provide a package of warranty protections and to encourage improved performance for the new home building industry. Since its inception, the Program has been a leader and innovator in the provision of warranty services to the home building industry and was the first program of its kind to be introduced in Canada.

The Program offers deposit protection, builder performance protection, structural integrity and first year warranty protection to homebuyers as well as mediation, conciliation and arbitration procedures through a third party process. In addition to providing warranty services, the Program supports the relationship between Builder Members and their homebuyers by acting as a trusted resource for information and knowledge.

The Program has regional offices in both Calgary and Edmonton and is managed by a staff of approximately 50 and governed by a Board of Directors made up of builders and other industry experts. The Program has over 700 Builder Members who are committed to the business of home building. Additional information and a complete list of participating builders can be found at www.albertanewhomewarranty.com

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