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## MACLAREN APPOINTS NEW BOARD MEMBERS TO EDC (EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION)

The Honourable Roy MacLaren, Minister for International Trade, today announced the appointment, effective immediately, of Dorothy E. Byrne, M. Jane Martin and James A. Pattillo to the board of directors of EDC (Export Development Corporation). They will serve three-year terms.

Dorothy E. Byrne of Vancouver, B.C. is Vice-president, Legal and Regulatory Affairs and Corporate Secretary of BC TELECOM and BC TEL. She is a member of the Law Society of British Columbia and the Canadian Bar Association, and serves on the Board of Directors of the British Columbia Institute for Studies in International Trade.

M. Jane Martin of Mississauga, Ontario is President and Chief Executive Officer of Vas-Cath Incorporated, a medical device manufacturing company. The company was named one of Canada's best-managed private companies by the *Financial Post* in 1993, and Ms. Martin was the recipient of the 1994 Canadian Women Entrepreneur of the Year award in the international competitiveness category.

James A. Pattillo of Calgary, Alberta is President and Chief Executive Officer of XL Foods Ltd., an integrated food production company. He is also a director of Okanagan Skeena Holdings Ltd., trustee of the Canadian Athletic Foundation, Governor of Strathcona Tweedsmuir School and a member of the Business Advisory Council of the University of Calgary.

"These three talented individuals will provide valuable advice to EDC as the corporation fulfils its mandate to assist Canadian exporters," said Mr. MacLaren. "Their extensive business experience will also help EDC to remain attuned to exporters' needs and concerns."

EDC is a customer-driven financial services corporation dedicated to helping Canadian business succeed in the global marketplace.



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EDC facilitates export trade and foreign investment by providing risk-management services, including insurance, financing and guarantees, to Canadian companies and their global customers. EDC reports to Parliament through the Minister for International Trade.

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