



**PETROWEST ENERGY SERVICES TRUST ANNOUNCES THE
APPOINTMENT OF MR. RALPH HESJE AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Calgary, Alberta, November 28, 2008 - Petrowest Energy Services Trust (TSX: PRW.UN) announced today, through Mr. D. Hugh Gillard, Chairman of the Board of Directors, that Mr. Ralph Hesje BSc. P. Eng has been appointed as President and Chief Executive Officer of Petrowest effective immediately. Mr. Hesje has also been appointed to the Board of Directors.

Mr. Hesje brings to the position 35 years of proven business, operations and executive experience in the energy, pipelines and construction industry. His most recent experience was as President of a large public mid-stream energy service provider and prior to that was as President of a construction company focused on the oil sands "We are very pleased to have Mr. Hesje join the Petrowest team. His knowledge and history of building solid service businesses including successful turn around situations makes him eminently qualified to lead Petrowest forward" stated Mr. Gillard. "Ralph has a solid reputation of working with teams to streamline operations, implement building blocks for growth and create shareholder value".

Petrowest is an unincorporated, open-ended, limited purpose, mutual fund trust established under the laws of Alberta. Petrowest is a leading provider of pre-drilling and post-completion energy services to the northern region of the western Canadian sedimentary basin.

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