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2014 Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada Ranking announced

(**TORONTO, Ontario, June 4, 2014**) – *Corporate Knights* today released its Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada list, the definitive annual ranking of Canada's top corporate citizens.

The ranking, which is in its 13th year, transparently measures a diverse range of Canadian enterprises on a suite of 12 sustainability metrics, including greenhouse gas productivity, per cent of taxes paid, health and safety performance and pension fund quality. To ensure "apples to apples" comparisons, companies are ranked exclusively against their industry peers, and scored on a 0-100% scale using only those metrics that are widely disclosed in their respective industries.

The Best Corporate Citizen for 2014 is Mountain Equipment Co-op (MEC), a leading clothing and sporting equipment retailer. MEC came in with top quartile performance on six metrics, including carbon productivity, waste productivity and CEO-to-average employee pay.

The Corporate Knights Best 50 methodology for grading corporate citizenship, developed with financial support from Industry Canada, has helped clarify and raise the rigour and professionalism of what it means to be a good corporate citizen.

"Organizations named to the Best 50 represent the best in corporate sustainability performance," says Doug Morrow, Managing Director, Corporate Knights Capital. "They epitomize the concept of doing more with less."

An overview of the methodology for the Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada ranking is available at <u>www.corporateknights.com/Best50_2014</u> and in the Best 50 2014 issue (Vol. 13.3) of *Corporate Knights* magazine, found in the *Globe and Mail* on June 4.

Province	Number of 2014 Best 50 Companies
Ontario	17
Alberta	14
Quebec	10
BC	7
Manitoba	1
Saskatchewan	1

The 2014 Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada, Distribution by Province

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The 2014 Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada

Rank	Company Name	Province	GICS Industry Group
1	Mountain Equipment Co-op	BC	Consumer Durables & Apparel
2	Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	BC	Banks
3	Bombardier	Quebec	Capital Goods
4	Tim Hortons	Ontario	Consumer Services
5	Mouvement des Caisses Desjardins	Quebec	Banks
6	Teck Resources	BC	Materials
7	Co-operators Group	Ontario	Insurance
8	Husky Energy	Alberta	Energy
9	Toronto-Dominion Bank	Ontario	Banks
10	Cenovus Energy	Alberta	Energy
11	Suncor Energy	Alberta	Energy
12	Royal Bank of Canada	Ontario	Banks
13	HSBC Bank Canada	BC	Banks
14	Capital Power	Alberta	Utilities
15	EPCOR Utilities	Alberta	Utilities
16	Intact Financial	Ontario	Insurance
17	BCE	Quebec	Telecommunication Services
18	Transat AT	Quebec	Consumer Services
19	Enbridge	Alberta	Energy
20	Canadian National Railway	Quebec	Transportation
21	Encana	Alberta	Energy
22	Sun Life Financial	Ontario	Insurance
23	Bank of Montreal	Ontario	Banks
24	Enmax	Alberta	Utilities
25	Canada Post	Ontario	Commercial & Professional Services
26	Domtar	Quebec	Materials
27	Kinross Gold	Ontario	Materials
28	TELUS	BC	Telecommunication Services
29	Celestica	Ontario	Technology Hardware & Equipment
30	Cascades	Quebec	Materials
31	Ontario Power Generation	Ontario	Utilities
32	Yamana Gold	Ontario	Materials
33	Bank of Nova Scotia	Ontario	Banks

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34	Hydro-Québec	Quebec	Utilities
35	TransAlta	Alberta	Utilities
36	Canadian Tire	Ontario	Retailing
37	Rogers Communications	Ontario	Telecommunication Services
38	TMX Group	Ontario	Diversified Financials
39	Stantec	Alberta	Commercial & Professional Services
40	TransCanada	Alberta	Energy
41	TC Transcontinental	Quebec	Commercial & Professional Services
42	British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority	BC	Utilities
43	Westjet Airlines	Alberta	Transportation
44	The Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board	Manitoba	Utilities
45	Catalyst Paper	BC	Materials
46	Talisman Energy	Alberta	Energy
47	Resolute Forest Products	Quebec	Materials
48	Canadian Pacific Railway	Alberta	Transportation
49	Federated Co-operatives Limited	Saskatchewan	Commercial & Professional Services
50	Loblaw Companies	Ontario	Food & Staples Retailing

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