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## **Minister Solberg Announces Reappointment to CMHC Board**

**OTTAWA, Ontario, June 27, 2008** — The Honourable Monte Solberg, Minister of Human Resources and Social Development, and Minister Responsible for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) announced today the reappointment of Harold Calla to CMHC's Board of Directors, for a four-year term. Mr. Calla was first appointed to the Board of Directors of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation in June 2005, and will continue to serve as the representative of the B.C. region.

“Mr. Calla brings to the position extensive experience in housing and governance-related issues,” said Minister Solberg. “I am confident that Mr. Calla's expertise will continue to be of tremendous value to CMHC and the millions of Canadians that the Corporation serves.”

Mr. Calla is a member of the Squamish Nation located in North Vancouver, British Columbia. After many years of experience in international business, he has held a number of positions within the Squamish Nation relating to economic development, land management and finance. Mr. Calla has also acted as a financial advisor and an arbitrator for various First Nations throughout Western Canada. He serves as Chairman of the First Nations Financial Management Board, as a member of the First Nations Advisory Committee on Taxation, and as Director on the Board of Partnerships British Columbia, a provincial Crown corporation mandated to look at public, private partnerships as a delivery model in responding to B.C.'s infrastructure needs. Mr. Calla was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of Terasen Inc., an energy company based in British Columbia.

As Canada's national housing agency, CMHC draws on more than 60 years of experience to help Canadians access a variety of quality, environmentally sustainable, and affordable homes — homes that will continue to create vibrant and healthy communities and cities across the country.

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## **Backgrounder**

Harold Calla was reappointed to the Board of Directors of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation in June 2008, for a four-year term, by the Government of Canada. He was first appointed in June 2005.

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Mr. Calla serves as Chairman of the First Nations Financial Management Board, one of four institutions created under the *First Nation Fiscal and Statistical Management Act* to support Aboriginal economic development. He also serves as Director on the Board of Partnerships British Columbia, a provincial Crown corporation mandated to look at public, private partnerships as a delivery model in responding to B.C.'s infrastructure needs. Mr. Calla was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of Terasen Inc., an energy company based in British Columbia.

Harold Calla is a recipient of numerous awards in recognition of excellence in leadership. He brings with him a wealth of experience in housing related areas.