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## **Gilles Pétrin appointed to Wolseley Canada Board of Directors**

BURLINGTON, ON – Wolseley Canada is pleased to announce the appointment of Gilles Pétrin to the Board of Directors for Wolseley Canada and its subsidiaries. The appointment became effective during the company's 2011 fiscal year.

Mr. Pétrin, Wolseley's Vice-President, Eastern Region, has 38 years of experience with Wolseley Canada. He has held various leadership roles within the company, including Vice-President and General Manager of the company's Eastern Mechanical Group, and General Sales Manager of Plumbing for Quebec and Atlantic Mechanical.

Mr. Pétrin attended Switzerland's IMD executive program in 2006 and the University of Virginia Darden School of Business in 2003.

Keith VanderVennet, Senior Vice-President, commented, "We are very pleased to welcome Gilles to the Board. He brings invaluable company knowledge and this, combined with his extensive expertise and industry experience, will be a great addition to the Board."

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### **About Wolseley Canada**

Wolseley Canada is a market leader in the wholesale distribution of plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration, engineered pipe, waterworks, fire protection, pipes, valves and fittings and industrial supplies products. Headquartered in Burlington, Ontario, the company operates approximately 225 branches across Canada. For more information, visit [www.wolseleyinc.ca](http://www.wolseleyinc.ca).

Wolseley Canada's parent company, Wolseley plc, is the world's number one distributor of plumbing and heating products to the professional market and a leading supplier of building materials and services. Wolseley plc is listed on the London Stock Exchange (LSE: WOS) and is in the FTSE 100 index of listed companies.

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