

## **Westman Communications Group Launches High-Speed Internet in Dauphin**

**Brandon MB, February 2, 2007** - - Westman Communications Group (Westman) is pleased to announce that residential and business customers in Dauphin will now have access to Westman's High Speed Internet service. An Open House to demonstrate the Internet service, along with a display of Westman's Digital Cable TV service, will be held at the Super 8, Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Westman has recently completed a fiber optic network connection from Brandon to Dauphin. This state of the art fiber optic network will allow Westman to launch new and exciting services to the community of Dauphin. Later this year Westman will be implementing changes to the Digital Cable TV services, which will include new services like Video on Demand.

"Westman offers the fastest Internet service available in Manitoba," stated David Baxter, President and Chief Executive Officer of Westman Communications Group. "We are building on our market leadership in Brandon to provide Dauphin customers with access to the Internet at unparalleled speeds. They'll also get unlimited Internet time on-line, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, for one low price. Connection is instantaneous, so there's no dial-up or busy signal."

Westman's High Speed Internet allows customers to surf the Net, shop on-line, pay bills, do banking, download the latest movie trailers, and listen to music from around the world. The extremely fast speed of Westman Internet is also beneficial to computer gamers.

Westman offers three levels of Internet service to both residential and business customers, local customer service, and technical support from a professional Help

Desk, seven days a week. The service also provides customers with free Spam and Virus control, up to seven e-mail addresses and 15 MB of personal Web space.

During the February 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Open House Westman will also be showcasing its Digital Cable television service. Digital Cable provides subscribers with a sharper picture, clearer sound and access to over 100 channels of home entertainment. Westman staff will be on hand to demonstrate the new Internet and Digital Cable features and capabilities, and to answer any questions.

### **About Westman Communications Group**

Westman is a customer-focused cooperative providing leadership in communication and information technology products and services in cable TV, fibre optics, computer networks, data transport, Internet, advertising and broadcasting. Westman Communications Group is the operating name for Westman Media Cooperative Ltd., which provides service throughout Western Manitoba. As a customer-owned cooperative, Westman is proud of its strong commitment to its customers and the communities it serves.

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## Westman High Speed Internet

### Residential Service

**EasyNet** at 256 Kbps download and upload: \$26.95/month.

**Wave** at over 6 Mbps download and up to 1 Mbps upload: \$40.95/month.

***Westman's introductory offer gives residential customers 10 months of Wave High Speed Internet service for \$21.95. Internet can be bundled with Westman Digital Cable TV thereafter for as low as \$31.95.***

**UltraNet** at 8 Mbps download and 1 Mbps upload, the fastest Internet available: \$54.95/month.

### Business Service

**Commercial Basic** at over 6 Mbps download and 1 Mbps upload: \$59.95/month.

**Commercial Enhanced** at 8 Mbps download and 1.5 Mbps upload: \$79.95/month.

**Commercial Extreme** at 10 Mbps download and 1.5 Mbps upload: \$119.95/month.

***Westman's introductory offer for business customers is only \$24.95/month for the first 6 months and includes free installation.***

## Westman Digital Cable TV

### Value Choice

With the purchase of a digital cable terminal you can subscribe to Value Choice at \$43.85/month, which includes:

- Full Cable Service (Basic cable and tiers C1, C2 & C3)
- Popular US Superstations (WPIX, KTLA)
- Pay Per View (PPV) movies, concerts and sporting events
- 40 channels of Digital Music – CD quality and commercial-free
- Interactive Program Guide – with PPV access
- No monthly fee on additional outlets

### Home Choice

With the purchase of a digital cable terminal you can subscribe to Home Choice at \$57.35/month, which includes:

- Full Cable Service (Basic cable and tiers C1, C2 & C3)
- 4 channels of Movie Central and 2 channels of Encore Avenue-commercial free, unedited movies
- Popular US Superstations (WGN, WPIX, KTLA)
- Pay Per View (PPV) movies, concerts and sporting events
- 40 channels of Digital Music – CD quality and commercial free
- Timeshift of 15 digital channels from East and West coast time zones
- Interactive Program Guide - with Pay Per View
- No monthly fee on additional outlets

**Digital Cable Terminal**, purchase price \$99.95 (a savings of \$100) or rent for \$8.95/month.