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## **News Release**

## City of North Vancouver Receives Large Donation for New Water Feature at the Foot of Lonsdale

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The City of North Vancouver has received a \$400,000 donation towards its revitalization of the waterfront. Donated by Richardson International through the Richardson Foundation, the funds will be used to deliver a unique water feature at the Foot of Lonsdale that will be a one of a kind, playful and vibrant gathering place for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy one of the most spectacular locations on the waterfront.

The whimsical new water area will include features for interactive play with bubblers and rippling water. Large natural boulders for seating and play will be prominent highlights, located inside the water area. As well, lighting will be integrated throughout the new space. The water feature will be 3,700 square feet and will be located at the Foot of Lonsdale, between the new Polygon Gallery and the Tap and Barrel restaurant. The water feature can be turned off to accommodate other uses of the space.

"This new interactive water feature is another great example of how the City is fostering social connection through the built environment," says Mayor Darrell Mussatto. "Richardson is a great community partner and we are very appreciative of this important contribution to the revitalization of our waterfront."

"Supporting and investing in our community is an important part of our business at Richardson and who we are," says Phil Hulina, Richardson's Senior Director, Vancouver Terminal Operations. "We are pleased to support this exciting project and the community of North Vancouver by leaving a lasting legacy that people of all ages can enjoy."

Richardson has been a part of the North Vancouver waterfront since the 1950's and recently completed a major terminal expansion earlier this year. The significant contribution to the revitalization of the City's waterfront will be enjoyed by the community for years to come. The donation will be recognized by an inscription in the water feature, as a long term reminder of the relationship between the City and Richardson.

The City recently celebrated the completion of its popular 48m long Megabench, the first of many dynamic public spaces coming to the Foot of Lonsdale and is the City's newest landmark. Overall

completion of the area is planned for Fall 2017, delivering a City waterfront that will be a regional attraction and year-round destination. For more information about the City's waterfront, visit <a href="https://www.cnv.org/CityWaterfront">www.cnv.org/CityWaterfront</a>.

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## **About Richardson International**

Richardson International is Canada's largest agribusiness and is recognized as a global leader in agriculture and food processing. Richardson's North Vancouver Terminal is a major exporter of Canadian grains and oilseeds and handles over 5 million metric tonnes each year.

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