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Village of Kettle Valley Wins Prestigious Development Award

Kelowna, B.C. - The awards continue to roll in for the Village of Kettle Valley, the picturesque neo-traditional community in the Upper Mission of Kelowna (www.kettlevalley.com). Weeks after being named Best Community Development in Canada, the Village of Kettle Valley has won another prestigious award, this time from the Urban Development Institute (UDI) Pacific Region. The UDI's Awards for Excellence honour projects representing superior forms of development by members of the Institute.

At the 2005 UDI Awards ceremony held in Vancouver, the Village of Kettle Valley's was recognized for the excellent standard and mix of its detached family houses. As winner of the *Ground Orientated Residential Development: Single Family* category, the Village of Kettle Valley continues to affirm its status as a builder of exemplary housing in a community setting.

Graham Wood, President of Kettle Valley Development, attended the award ceremony and was delighted to accept the honour:

"Kettle Valley and our family of award winning builders are very proud of the quality homes we have created in this neo-traditional planned community. The colourful heritage Craftsman and Victorian style homes, surrounded by abundant parks, tree-lined sidewalks and stunning lake and mountain views make the village truly unique. It is a great honour to be recognized by such an eminent organization as UDI," Wood said.

The Urban Development Institute is a national non-profit association (with international affiliations) of the development industry and its related professions. The 400 corporate members of UDI Pacific represent thousands of individuals involved in all facets of land development and planning, including: developers, property managers, financial lenders, lawyers, engineers, planners, architects, appraisers, real estate professionals, local governments and government agencies. Since 1972, the Pacific Region has been dedicated to improving communications between the industry, government, and the public; and aims to improve both housing and job opportunities for all British Columbians. UDI Pacific also serves as the public voice of the real estate development industry, communicating with the media on a number of issues.

About the Village of Kettle Valley

The Village of Kettle Valley is a Neotraditional community, nestled on the hillside of the Upper Mission in Kelowna, British Columbia, overlooking Lake Okanagan. Established in 1996, the community is currently home to 240 families and several businesses including a coffee shop, fitness centre and realtor. When completed, the community will encompass 350 acres of land occupied by 900 single-family homes, 80 townhomes and a potential 25,000 ft² of commercial space. The Village of Kettle Valley has won many awards in the past including a Gold Tommie Award for Best Community in the Thompson Okanagan.

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