

## NEXTERRA BIOMASS GASIFICATION SYSTEM WINS GLOBE AWARD FOR TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION AND APPLICATION

**VANCOUVER, BC (March 14, 2008)** – Nexterra Energy Corp., the Vancouver-based biomass gasification company, whose technology converts waste biomass into clean-burning "syngas" to displace fossil fuels, has won the prestigious GLOBE Award for Technology Innovation and Application at the internationally recognized GLOBE Awards for Environmental Excellence. The award was presented to Nexterra's CEO Jonathan Rhone by Canada's Minister of Natural Resources, Gary Lunn.

Judged by a panel of experts recognized in the Canadian business community, the GLOBE Awards celebrate outstanding achievement in environmental stewardship. The awards were presented at a gala dinner on Thursday, March 13, held in conjunction with GLOBE 2008, the 10<sup>th</sup> biennial trade fair and conference on business and the environment.

Nexterra's technology has demonstrated to customers that they can reduce costs and become more energy self-efficient, while significantly lowering greenhouse gas emissions and harmful air contaminants from some of the largest point source industries and institutions in North American communities. Nexterra is developing new market applications through powerful relationships with industry leaders, including Johnson Controls, Domtar, Tolko Industries, Dockside Green and Pristine Power.

"Nexterra is deeply honoured to receive this prestigious award," said Jonathan Rhone, President and CEO of Nexterra. "Tonight's awards demonstrate that companies no longer have to choose between what's good for the environment and what's good for the bottom line."

The criteria for the Technology Innovation and Application Award includes: Excellence in translating innovation concepts into successful commercial production; success in developing or applying technology that acts to substantially reduce environmental impacts, while contributing to overall efficiency and operational improvement; and an ability to adapt or apply technology to meet changing environmental priorities and applications.

Other nominees for the Technology Innovation and Application Award included the Ford Motor Company of Canada (manufacturing plant emission reduction), Paradigm Environmental Technologies Inc. (wastewater treatment) and Trojan Technologies (water disinfection systems).

**About Nexterra Energy Corp.** – Nexterra Energy is a leading developer and supplier of advanced gasification systems for thermal and cogeneration applications in the forest products, pulp and paper, institutional, residential district heating and power generation sectors. Nexterra systems enable industrial and institutional customers to self-generate clean, low cost heat and/or power using wood waste, significantly reducing both fuel costs and greenhouse gas emissions. Nexterra is a private company based in Vancouver, BC, Canada. For more information, please visit: <u>http://www.nexterra.ca/</u>. Photos and illustrations of Nexterra's technology and photos from the GLOBE Awards presentations are available upon request.

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