North Peace Savings & Encana Join Forces for Donation to the Taylor Public Library

North Peace Savings partnered with Encana to purchase a new Early Literacy Station for the Taylor Public Library

Featured in the photo from left to right are Jeff Beale – Encana, Mitchel Chilcott – CEO North Peace Savings and Credit Union, Christina Reier – Board Chair of the Taylor Public Library.

Fort St John, March 11 – Inspiring every child to become a lifelong learner – what the Taylor Public Library is continuing to instill in its community with the new Early Literacy Station. North Peace Savings and Encana are proud to work together in bringing this educational and inspiring resource to the children in Taylor.

The Early Literacy Station (ELS) is an all-inclusive learning station aimed at children aged 2-8 years old. Requiring no internet connection, it features over 60 educational software programs that touch upon seven curricular areas. These pre-loaded programs were selected based on several characteristics including age appropriateness, engagement, educational efficacy and experience.

An older, outdated version of this system is currently at the Taylor Library. Sherry Murphy, Library Director explained that, "The newer, interactive system has programs that provide better literacy engagement with children." The addition of the second ESL will alleviate the wait time and diminish the wear and tear effects from over 200 users a year.

As one of the key pillars of North Peace Savings' Social Responsibility Program, access to literacy resources in the community is an initiative that the credit union remains committed to supporting. "Exposure to literacy at a young age is imperative to growth and development," shared Mitchel Chilcott, CEO, North Peace Savings'. "Providing the tools for success builds stronger people and communities."

About Encana Corporation

Encana is a leading North American energy producer that is focused on growing its strong portfolio of diverse resource plays producing natural gas, oil and natural gas liquids. By partnering with employees, community organizations and other businesses, Encana contributes to the strength and sustainability of the communities where it operates.

About North Peace Savings and Credit Union

North Peace Savings and Credit Union is a full-service financial organization offering banking, commercial, investment and insurance products. Located in Northeast British Columbia, North Peace Savings has proudly served the north for over 65 years. With over 11,000 members within its four branches, North Peace Savings remains committed to the social and economic well-being within the communities it serves. North Peace Savings is the 2013 recipient of the National Credit Union Innovation Award, Canada and runner up for the Innovation Award through the Credit Union Executive Society.

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