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**BENTALL CAPITAL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**

**BENTALL TO BID ON VANCOUVER CONVENTION CENTRE EXPANSION**

VANCOUVER, April 11, 2002 / CNW / Bentall Capital (L.P.), the national real estate services firm responsible for such landmark assets as the Bentall Centre, has expressed its interest in participating in a public-private partnership to expand Vancouver's Convention and Exhibition Centre. Bentall Capital leads a team of companies who responded to a request for expressions of interest from the B.C. Government's Ministry of Competition, Science and Enterprise. The Bentall submission covers the financing, development, ownership, and operation of the expanded trade and convention centre proposed for Vancouver's downtown waterfront.

Acting on its own behalf and on behalf of its clients, Bentall has put together a multi-disciplinary team with all the skills and resources needed to undertake the nearly half billion dollar project. Exclusive members include: investment banker RBC Capital Markets, accounting and consulting firm, KPMG LLP, EllisDon - builders of Canada Place and the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, O&Y/SMG Canada - host to over 17 million convention delegates each year in the 39 convention centres they manage, and leading law firms, Lawson Lundell and McCarthy Tetrault. In addition, a number of leading architectural and consulting firms are participating.

In respect of the process now underway by the Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre evaluation team and the review committee, Bentall will not be providing any further information concerning its response at this time.

Bentall Capital Limited Partnership is a fully integrated real estate services organization with industry-leading expertise in investment management, property services, development and merchant banking. With over 900 employees and offices in Seattle, Los Angeles, Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto and Ottawa, the company is responsible for management of \$4.5 billion of assets owned by major institutional investors in Canada and the United States.

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