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## News Release

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### **Central Lake Ontario Conservation Announces Funding for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Durham Children's Groundwater Festival**

**Oshawa** - Central Lake Ontario Conservation is pleased to announce the generous support of the Cargill Foundation, Evergreen/Unilever, Ontario Power Generation, Region of Durham (Works Department), RBC Foundation, TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, and TransCanada towards the 2010 Durham Children's Groundwater Festival.

"On behalf of the Groundwater Festival, I would like to welcome the Diamond Sponsors to the 2010 Durham Children's Groundwater Festival," states Rick Johnson, Chair of Central Lake Ontario Conservation. "Entering into our 13<sup>th</sup> year we are very proud of the event's success, but this would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. The goal of the Groundwater Festival is to motivate students to be good water stewards in their home, classroom and community. The Diamond Sponsors' combined donation of over \$40,000 will go towards educating more than 4,000 grade four students at this year's event."

Established in 1998, the Durham Children's Groundwater Festival is like a giant outdoor science centre consisting of 40 interactive learning stations, all focused on water. The Festival will be held from September 27<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup> at Camp Samac in Oshawa. At the conclusion of the 2010 festival, more than 51,000 grade four students will have participated in this unique environmental program over the past 13 years.

Anyone interested in supporting the Durham Children's Groundwater Festival through a financial or in-kind donation is asked to contact Patricia Lowe, Festival Organizing Committee Chair, at the Central Lake Ontario Conservation office (905) 579-0411 ext. 126. Information on the Groundwater Festival may also be found online at [www.cloca.com](http://www.cloca.com).

#### **2010 Financial Diamond Sponsors**

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