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WESFARMERS CAPITAL RETURN

A general meeting of shareholders today overwhelmingly approved a capital return of \$1.00 per fully paid ordinary share.

Shares will trade on an "ex" capital return basis from the commencement of trading on Monday 21 February 2005. The record date for determining entitlements to participate in the capital return is Friday, 25 February 2005.

The company expects the capital return to be paid on Wednesday, 2 March 2005.

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