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## **Neptune Commences Reconstruction of Sherbrooke Plant**

**Laval, Québec, CANADA – May 28, 2013** – Neptune Technologies & Bioresources Inc. (“Neptune” or the “Corporation”) (NASDAQ:NEPT - TSX:NTB) announces that on May 27, 2013 reconstruction of its production facilities in Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada started.

Neptune’s plant was destroyed following an explosion on November 8, 2012, although the adjacent expansion project that was underway at the time suffered limited damage. The Corporation plans to reconstruct an operational plant by overhauling the expansion facility that was under construction. In addition to receiving the necessary permits to begin work, the Corporation has engaged an engineering firm and architect and has also recently hired a new plant manager. Due to the ability to expedite things, reconstruction is starting earlier than originally anticipated in the Corporation’s May 22, fiscal year 2013 results release. Upon completion, which is expected before the end of the current fiscal year, the facility is expected to have the capacity to produce more than 150,000 kilograms of Neptune krill oil (NKO<sup>®</sup>) per year.

“This marks a major milestone in our Action Plan to bring production capacity back online,” commented Mr. Henri Harland, President and CEO of Neptune. “We are taking the necessary steps to strengthen our foundation and we remain confident in our ability to emerge stronger from this unfortunate incident,” added Mr. Harland.

### **About Neptune Technologies & Bioresources Inc.**

Neptune is a biotechnology company engaged primarily in the development and commercialization of marine-derived omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acids (“PUFAs”). Neptune has a patented process of extracting oils from Antarctic krill, and principally sells omega-3 PUFAs as bulk oil to Neptune’s distributors who commercialize them under their private label primarily in the U.S., European and Australian nutraceutical markets. Neptune’s products generally come in capsule form and serve as a dietary supplement to consumers.

Through its subsidiaries Acasti Pharma and NeuroBioPharm inc (“NeuroBio”), in which Neptune respectively holds 57% and 96% of the voting rights, Neptune is also pursuing opportunities in the medical food and prescription drug markets. Acasti Pharma and NeuroBio respectively focus on the research and development of safe and therapeutically effective compounds for highly prevalent atherosclerotic conditions, such as cardiometabolic disorders and cardiovascular diseases, and for neurodegenerative and inflammation related conditions. Acasti’s lead prescription drug candidate is CaPre<sup>®</sup>, a purified high omega-3 phospholipid concentrate derived from Neptune krill oil being developed to address the prevention and treatment of cardiometabolic disorders, including hypertriglyceridemia, which is characterized by abnormally high levels of triglycerides.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

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