

Sino-Forest Announces Resignation of Director

TORONTO, CANADA – November 4, 2011 - Sino-Forest Corporation (the "Company") (TSX:TRE) today announced James Bowland has resigned as a director. Mr. Bowland joined the Board in February, 2011 and was a member of the Independent Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation and Nominating Committee. The Company would like to thank Mr. Bowland for his contributions to the Company.

About Sino-Forest Corporation

Sino-Forest Corporation is a leading commercial forest plantation operator in China. Its principal businesses include the ownership and management of tree plantations, the sale of standing timber and wood logs, and the complementary manufacturing of downstream engineered-wood products. Sino-Forest also holds a majority interest in Greenheart Group Limited (HKSE:00094), a Hong-Kong listed investment holding company with assets in Suriname (South America) and New Zealand and involved in sustainable harvesting, processing and sales of its logs and lumber to China and other markets around the world. Sino-Forest's common shares have been listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol TRE since 1995. Learn more at www.sinoforest.com.

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