

PENN WEST ENERGY TRUST
Optional Cash Payment – Authorization Form (Beneficial)

Relating to the Amended and Restated Distribution Reinvestment and Optional Trust Unit Purchase Plan (the "Plan") of Penn West Energy Trust ("Penn West") dated December 8, 2005, as amended and restated on July 30, 2007 (as further amended from time to time).

To be completed by the BENEFICIAL OWNER of trust units of Penn West. Residents of countries other than Canada who are beneficial owners of trust units are NOT eligible to make optional cash payments.

FORM C - OPTIONAL CASH PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION – BENEFICIAL OWNER
(Canadian Residents Only)

If you wish to make an optional cash payment in accordance with the Plan, please complete this section, sign below and return this form to CIBC Mellon Trust Company at the address set forth below, together with a certified personal cheque made payable to "CIBC Mellon Trust Company" and CIBC Mellon's Participant Declaration Form. In order to be able to make an optional cash payment you must be previously enrolled in the Plan.

I have received and read a copy of the text describing the Plan. Enclosed is an optional cash payment in the amount of \$_____ in the form of a certified personal cheque* payable to "CIBC Mellon Trust Company" (which payment must be at least \$500 per remittance and not more than \$5,000 per month and can be made monthly). I hereby direct CIBC Mellon Trust Company, as Agent under the Plan, to invest the enclosed payment in additional units of Penn West in accordance with the Plan. I hereby confirm my understanding that any distributions received on units of Penn West held for my account under the Plan will automatically be reinvested in additional units of Penn West in accordance with the Plan.

CERTIFICATE OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

The undersigned hereby certifies, represents and warrants to Penn West and to CIBC Mellon Trust Company, and acknowledges that you are relying upon such certification, representation and warranty, that the undersigned: (i) is the beneficial owner of _____ trust units of Penn West, which are held on behalf of the undersigned by the following intermediary; (ii) is, and when trust units are purchased for my account in accordance with this direction I will be, a resident of Canada; and (iii) has been enrolled in the Plan by its broker, investment dealer, financial institution or other nominee:

Name of Brokerage Firm or Other Intermediary _____ Name of Registered Representative (please print or type) _____

Account No. _____ Branch Location/City _____

Intermediary's Telephone # _____ Intermediary's Fax # _____

The undersigned hereby authorizes the above-named intermediary to disclose and to confirm to Penn West or CIBC Mellon Trust Company the ownership of trust units of Penn West by the undersigned. The undersigned acknowledges that by executing this certificate, it is authorizing CIBC Mellon Trust Company as Agent for the Plan to enroll the undersigned directly as a participant in the Plan.

DATE: _____

Signature of Beneficial Unitholder _____ Name and Address of Beneficial Unitholder (please print or type) _____

Title of Officer Signing, if applicable _____ Telephone # of Beneficial Unitholder _____

Note: An optional cash payment must be received (together with a completed Optional Cash Payment Form) at least five (5) business days prior to a distribution payment date in order to be invested in additional units of Penn West. Optional cash payments not received on or before such distribution payment date will not be invested in additional units of Penn West until the next month. No interest will be paid on optional cash payments received but not yet invested in additional units of Penn West.

For further information, please contact:

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OR

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At least five (5) business days prior to a distribution payment date, please return to CIBC Mellon Trust Company at the address set forth above:

- 1. this completed Optional Cash Payment Form C;**
- 2. certified personal cheque in the amount of your optional cash payment; and**
- 3. CIBC Mellon's Participant Declaration Form (first time only).**

*** Additional optional cash payments may be made following your initial payment by returning the portion from your statement of account along with a certified cheque or bank draft for the optional payment amount.**