



## **Christopher Ashwood Joins MDS Nordion as Senior Vice-President Human Resources**

**OTTAWA, Canada, June 9, 2008** – MDS Nordion, a leading provider of medical isotopes and radiopharmaceuticals, has appointed Christopher Ashwood to the position of Senior Vice-President Human Resources. As a member of the Executive Management Team, Mr. Ashwood will strengthen MDS Nordion’s leadership position by designing and implementing global Human Resource (HR) strategies in support of business growth and innovation objectives.

“Great achievements are the result of great employees,” said Steve West, President, MDS Nordion. “Our leading-edge business is well positioned for growth and has an exciting future. Christopher’s appointment will ensure we continue to drive world-class performance in HR to greater develop a fully engaged, performance driven workforce that shares our core purpose of making a distinctive contribution to the health and well-being of people around the world.”

Mr. Ashwood holds an Executive MBA from the University of Ottawa and a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications from Carleton University. His more than 23 years of experience includes leadership roles in HR, business development and Information Technology. He joins the business from Nortel, where he held a number of key positions including Vice-President Product Development Solutions, Vice-President Global Business Processes and Director Corporate Services. His HR expertise includes global talent sourcing, compensation, HR Information System, training and development, as well as mergers and acquisitions/integrations.

## **About MDS Nordion**

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