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"White Noise" Sends Chills Through Moviegoers Both North And South Of The Border. New Release Sees \$24 Million (US Funds) In First Weekend Of Box Office Sales.

(Vancouver, BC) - Last weekend's box office release, "White Noise", gave quite a scare to moviegoers seeking refuge from cold winter conditions. "White Noise", which opened on Friday, January 7, 2005 in over 2,261 theatres across Canada and the US, saw \$24 million (US funds) in box offices sales. Over the weekend, the paranormal thriller co-produced by Canadian company Brightlight Pictures and Gold Circle Films UK, saw box office sales results that push "White Noise" to claim the fourth biggest opening weekend for films debuting in January.

"White Noise" stars Michael Keaton ("Beetlejuice", "Batman", "Jack Frost") as Jonathan Rivers, an architect trying to cope with the sudden and mysterious disappearance of his wife. Swept into the world of Electronic Voice Phenomena or EVP, a form of communication from the dead via television static or "white noise," Jonathan's world is brought into a tailspin as he seeks to communicate with his wife in the beyond. Along the way, he meets Sarah Tate, played by Deborah Kara Unger ("Thirteen", "The Salton Sea", "The Hurricane"), a beautiful EVP believer on a quest to contact her dead fiancé. Together the stars pull off a spine-tingling performance keeping moviegoers at the edge of their seats.

"We are very excited about the day and date release of "White Noise" in both Canada and the US," said Brightlight Pictures producer and principal Steve Hegyes. "The attention this Canadian production has garnered across North America has been amazing. It is an excellent example of Canada's ability to attract major Hollywood names and produce successful major motion pictures. I can't emphasize enough how important these kind of box office results are to the success of the Canadian film production industry."

Check your entertainment source for times and locations for viewing.

#### About Brightlight Pictures

A feature film and television production company based in Vancouver and Victoria, BC, Brightlight Pictures develops, finances and produces independent feature films and television projects for the domestic and international marketplace. Company principals and producers, Stephen Hegyes and Shawn Williamson, have produced over 55 productions in the last 12 years and over 15 productions since the launch of the company in 2001. Projects include Bruce Sweeney's "Last Wedding" which opened the 2001 Toronto International Film Festival and starred Molly Parker and "The Long Weekend" a Canada / UK co-production between Brightlight Pictures and Gold Circle Films UK starring Chris Klein and Brendan Fehr. Also in partnership with Gold Circle Films UK, Brightlight Pictures produced "Jiminy Glick in LaLa Wood", starring Martin Short. The film was chosen for the closing night gala event at the 2004 Toronto International Film Festival. Brightlight Pictures recently Line Produced "Edison" for Millennium Films and Emmett Furla Films starring Kevin Spacey, Morgan Freeman, LL Cool J and Justin Timberlake. Brightlight Pictures also recently produced "BloodRayne" starring Kristanna Loken, Sir Ben Kingsley, Matt Davis, Michelle Rodriguez and Michael Madsen which shot in Romania. The production company is currently developing the feature film adaptation of

"Hunter: The Reckoning" with shooting slated for March 2005 in the Greater Vancouver area.

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