

Vancouver, Canada – April 9, 2008 – Brightlight Pictures Inc is pleased to announce that Global Television, a Canwest Broadcasting network has commissioned a second season of the primetime original drama series, The Guard, which began production in Vancouver, BC in June and is slated for broadcast in the 2008-09 season. The series is a co-production between Brightlight Pictures Inc and DHX Media's subsidiary, Halifax Film, for Global Television.

The Guard is a one-hour character-driven, ensemble drama series that focuses on the lives of four imperfect, offbeat and sometimes difficult, but heroic Coast Guard rescue specialists looking for meaning in their own lives while enduring the daily dangers of life out on the Pacific Ocean. Audiences were captivated by these west coast heroes, as Season I of the series launched with over 800,000 viewers and The Guard was the #1 new Canadian Original in the key demo Adults 18-49.

Shawn Williamson, Partner, Brightlight Pictures said, "We are proud to bring Canadian audiences a second season of their favourite new show. Canada has the world's longest coastline and our series about the brave men and women of the Coast Guard is sure to become an international hit, as well."

Charles Bishop, President, Halifax Film said, "We are thrilled to partner once again with Global Television to produce a second season of The Guard. The additional season will continue to help us secure significant international sales."

Brightlight Pictures develops, finances and produces independent feature films and television projects for the domestic and international marketplace. Company principals Stephen Hegyes and Shawn Williamson have produced over 70 productions in the last 10 years and over 30 productions since the launch of the company in 2001. White Noise, starring Michael Keaton, has grossed more than \$100 million since it opened in January 2005. Recent BLP productions include the sequel, White Noise 2: The Light; American Venus, starring Rebecca DeMornay; Dungeon Siege: In the Name of the King, starring Jason Statham; They Wait, starring Jaime King; and the upcoming Far Cry; and Fifty Dead Men Walking, filmed on location in Northern Ireland and starring Jim Sturgess and Ben Kingsley. BLP is also a leading service producer. For Nu Image/Millennium Films and Emmett Furla Films, BLP line-produced 88 Minutes, starring Al Pacino, and Wicker Man, starring Nicolas Cage. BLP also line produced the upcoming Possession, starring Sarah Michelle Gellar; and Passengers, starring Anne Hathaway; as well as the Fox 21 series Saved. The company is currently in production with the second season of the hit Global TV series, The Guard, and Stormworld, a sci-fi series filming in Australia. More information about Brightlight Pictures can be found at [www.brightlightpictures.com](http://www.brightlightpictures.com).