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First Quarter Results

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.....

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Napier Environmental Technologies Inc. (T-NIR) reports softer than expected first quarter sales that lagged 2002 by 22%. Approximately 10% of the reduction in sales revenues can be directly attributed to the weak US dollar. Consumer sales met expectations while industrial sales in North America were negatively impacted by the dramatic downturn in the aviation industry, a lagging US economy and an unusually long and lingering winter. In addition export sales have been delayed by the threat and reality of war in Iraq. The Company was able to improve gross margins and a reduction in overhead costs compared to last year which helped reduce the negative effect of less than planned sales. Comparative highlights of results follow:

FINANCIAL RESULTS

	Three months ended March 31	
	2003	2002
Sales	\$ 1,526,961	\$ 1,950,961
Gross Profit	43%	42%
Operating Expenses	\$ 988,796	\$ 1,040,695
Operating Loss	\$ (325,674)	\$ (212,631)
Other non-operating items	\$ (52,701)	\$ (118,974)
Net Loss	\$ (378,375)	\$ (331,605)

Full interim quarterly financial statements, including management's discussion and analysis, can be found on the company's web site – www.napierenvironmental.com under "investor relations / financials", as well as at www.sedar.com.

Forward Looking Statements:

This release and referenced materials contain forward looking statements that are subject to a number of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in our forward looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include: rapid technological and/or market changes in the industry; the ability to maintain and grow successful third party and customer relationships, to improve current products and develop new products, to adequately protect the company's proprietary rights and other factors described in the company's regulatory filings. Although we believe the expectations reflected in our forward looking statements are reasonable, individual results may vary, and we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements.

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