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RIFCO gets local financing

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Red Deer-based RIFCO Inc. (TSX.V-RFC) has turned to its home town for financial support.

The company provides financing for automotive and commercial repairs and vehicle purchases through its wholly owned subsidiary, Repair Industry Finance Corporation.

It has a \$20-million securitization facility with Securcor Trust and on Monday announced that Community Credit Union Ltd. has granted it a further \$30 million securitization facility.

Community Credit, which operates as Community Savings, is also based in Red Deer.

Through securitization, RIFCO sells loan receivables to obtain additional funding for new lending. It continues to service the original loans and also maintains an interest in them through a performance-based holdback. RIFCO expects to maintain and utilize both facilities, the company said in a news release.

As of March 2007, RIFCO had lent a total of \$50 million.