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RETIREMENT OF DIRECTOR

Wesfarmers director Dick Lester will retire on 30 June 2008.

Mr Lester joined the Board in 1995 and is currently a member of both the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee.

Wesfarmers Chairman Trevor Eastwood said Mr Lester had made an important contribution to the company.

"Dick's time on the Board covers some of the most significant events in our history," said Mr Eastwood.

"During his tenure we restructured the company's ownership, acquired Howard Smith and most recently, of course, completed the Coles transaction. On behalf of his fellow directors and the company I thank Dick very much for his service to Wesfarmers."

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