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LODGES TO LET GIVE FARMERS NEW BUSINESS DREAM

Fourth generation dairy and beef farmers Mr & Mrs David May decided to diversify into the leisure industry three years ago to supplement the income they were making from farming.

Located at Tregullon near Bodmin, Cornwall, the couple considered a number of diversification options for the farm before deciding to move into holiday lettings.

Following a barn conversion that was completed last Christmas, the couple have been running a very successful holiday let business. Mrs May commented: "The converted barn is fully booked well into this autumn and people are now booking for summer 2007. Everybody who stays here has a great time and comments what a perfect spot this is for relaxing and for exploring all of Cornwall."

Located only an hour from Lands End to the west, with Bodmin Moor a few miles to the east, the May family have decided to capitalise on this success and have commissioned national leisure contractor, Western Log Group, to build four new timber lodges on their land.

Mrs May commented: "The holiday let business was my son's idea and it is essentially his project. We wanted to diversify into a business which we could run alongside the farm and which would be sustainable for several years to come – so that our family could continue to make a living here."

"We are absolutely delighted with the new timber lodges and with the service that Western Log Group has given us. Thanks to Western Log Group and lots of dry weather we are well ahead of schedule and although we have said all along that we would like our first visitors to be here by Christmas, we may well be welcoming them during the October half term."

The May family are having four luxury timber lodges installed at Tregullon.

For further information on the range of Western Log Group timber lodges, please contact group sales & marketing director Justin Lewis on 01639 896715 or email Justin.lewis@westernloggroup.com.

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Western Log Group

Based in Port Talbot, South Wales, Western Log Group has been involved in the timber industry for three decades and is now one of the UK's leading suppliers of timber cabins for personal and business use, and can boast an extensive portfolio in the leisure and play industries.

The company continues to expand and has significantly increased the supply and distribution of timber products, ensuring all year round availability. It has recently developed the manufacture and distribution nationally of timber cabins and set up a number of retail outlets.