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Strategic Investment by Inland Aggregates Limited Ensures Aggregate Supply for Winnipeg

A 27 million dollar investment in the Rural Municipality of Springfield, by Inland Aggregates Limited, will supply Winnipeg with quality aggregate products that will support the city's infrastructure re-development and booming construction market. With steady economic growth and over 1.5 billion dollars in new construction slated for the area, Inland's fully automated operation is located in close proximity to the Greater Winnipeg Area, at Pine Ridge within the Birds Hill deposit.

The new sustainable operation showcases advances in aggregate operations through a one-touch process, where materials go right from the pit to the plant. Features includes a leading edge crushing and wash plant with an 1,100 tonnes per hour feed rate capacity, a 16 yd³ capacity clamshell dredge, and automated process technology that includes central dispatch with remote scaling and auto-ticketing. Consistent product quality will be the result of Inland's world-class equipment and production processes, and proximity to the Winnipeg area will reduce transportation impacts on the environment.

Permitted for 40 million tonnes of high quality granular concrete aggregates, Pine Ridge will replace Inland's CN pit which will be retired at the end of 2008, and reclaimed by the province. "This state-of-the-art operation enables Inland to continue as a leader in the aggregate market. We will remain a low cost producer of high quality aggregate, and be able to expand our product line to include asphalt fines and other value-added fine sand products," explained Mike Smith, manager, Inland Aggregates, Manitoba.

With an investment of \$22.8 million for the production facility and \$4.4 for the dredge, Inland Aggregates has demonstrated their commitment to support Winnipeg's economic growth. A member of the business community for many decades, Inland has established relationships in the rural municipality of Springfield. "Part of our business is not only supplying materials to the market, but being a good neighbour and part of the community. Our employees are residents of the surrounding community, and everyone is proud of the contributions we have made both as a corporate citizen, and as individuals, to bring this new operation online," commented James Kaskiw, Inland's Winnipeg project manager who brought the operation to life.

The Grand Opening celebration on September 12, 2008 at the Heatherdale and Garven Roads site, provided tours of the operation, and invited guests heard first-hand from Inland's senior management how the company is commitment to the environmental, social and economic features of the Inland operation.

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